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EAGAN ON THE STAND

Commissary General Makes a Favorable Impression.

HE PLEADS GREAT PROVOCATION.

Says General Miles' Statements Affected His Character and Honor. The Press Accused Him of Poisoning the Army.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The feature of the proceedings before the Eagan court martial yesterday was the testimony, dramatic in parts in its quiet intensity, of Commissary General Eagan himself. Not more than 15 or 20 people outside of the court and a dozen or so newspaper correspondents were admitted to the trial room. Several witnesses preceded the chief figure in the trial. General Eagan listened intently to the testimony of these witnesses and occasionally held brief whispered consultations with his counsel. He was dressed in full uniform, without sword, and his florid face, white hair and mustache and soldierly bearing recalled to many the late General Sheridan, to whom he bears a distinct resemblance. His call to the stand was something of a surprise, as it had been thought if he testified at all it would be later. When his name was called, he rose and, standing before the witness chair, raised his right hand, took the oath administered by the judge advocate and at first related his army career. As he proceeded in his testimony it became apparent that the line of defense would be justification and extreme provocation, the provocation finally bringing on a serious nervous condition which rendered the witness unfit for business and making him to a degree irresponsible for his acts. After the court adjourned several members shook his hand and in a friendly way asked after his health. Some of the most important points in General Eagan's testimony before the court martial are given below. When asked with relation to an article which appeared in the newspapers, the witness said:

"When I saw the alleged interview with General Miles in the New York Journal, it drove me nearly crazy, because it emphasized a thing that affected me most. It emphasized a pretense of experiment: it emphasized, to my mind, that I was willing and had been guilty of feeding poisonous food to soldiers for gain. I addressed a letter to the adjutant general and asked that action be taken, believing at that time that the immunity granted by the president did not extend outside of the courtroom. I believed that the immunity covered any and every body there, and I believed that it was a very good thing at the time, because the meaning of that, so far as it would read from the papers, was that it was necessary to satisfy the country that the investigation was honest, was complete and that everybody would be given an opportunity to come forward and testify to everything he knew. I was not astonished that General Miles should be covered by the immunity granted by the president, but I did not believe it extended to his going into newspapers in this alleged interview, and so I sought to ascertain by addressing a letter to him through the adjutant general, and there was returned to me what I considered to be an evasive answer."

General Eagan was asked to state to the court what impression the testimony of General Miles before the commission made upon him, as to what he meant by the statements that he made and especially by his words, "pretense of experiment."

"The effect on me, sir, was that he had taken away from me my character, the honorable position that I had obtained after all these years of service. He stated that I was corrupt. I could not prefer charges against him. I could not go into any court, civil or military, and for a time I felt it better to be dead and in the gutter than to have such an accusation made. When the press clippings came to me—north, south, east and west—stating they believed General Miles, some of them saying he had made out a case and some of the editorials demanding my dismissal and disgrace for it, I felt that I must do something, I did not know what. I put the utmost restraint upon myself, and I finally gave a dignified statement to the press to the effect that the court was the place to discuss this; that it was unmilitary and improper to discuss it in the press. The clippings that came to me showed that the press sneered at it and disbelieved it. I realized then that I was convicted and condemned for wholesale poisoning, or attempting to poison, the army, in so far as food was concerned that was intrusted to my care; that my whole life, myself and my family were disgraced and that it called for something. The honor of a soldier cannot be impugned any more than the virtue of a woman."

In answer to a question by his counsel as to whether he had received any benefit for any contract he had made, General Eagan said with great feeling:

"No, on my honor and before my God, not one cent's profit or gain did I ever receive, and yet my office has disbursed $19,000,000, and I am now a poor man, so poor that I have not now sufficient money with which to pay your fee."

As he (Eagan) understood public sentiment the public believed him to be a murderer and for gain, and he was greatly wrecked in body and brain in consequence. He was goaded to death and was very glad of a chance to appear before the commission and through them 70,000,000 people in the defense of his honor.

Mr. Worthington then read from a large number of newspaper clippings, many of which spoke of General Eagan as a scoundrel and demanded his dismissal from the army.

Concord Very Dry.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 27.—All of the saloons in which liquor was being sold were closed yesterday by order of Mayor Martin. The dealers were summoned to appear at the police station at 9 o'clock, and were ordered to close their places, both back and front doors, and to remove their stocks of goods. It is pretty safe to assume that Concord will be a dry town for two years to come unless the legislature makes changes in the prohibitory laws.

His Neck Broken.

NAUGATUCK, Conn., Jan. 27.—Frederick Lester, aged 53, foreman in the reclaiming plant of the United States Rubber company, was caught in a "drag" at 4:30 yesterday afternoon and had his neck broken. He leaves a widow and three children.

AGONCILLO'S DANGER

His Actions While In Washington Are Suspicious.

WARNS AGUINALDO TO STRIKE NOW

In a Dispatch to the Hongkong Junta He Gives Information Regarding Peace Treaty and Our Plans For Future of Philippines.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The Sun this morning, under a Washington date, says:

"Evidence of a damaging character against Felipe Agoncillo, the agent sent to Washington by Aguinaldo, has been discovered by the government, and the nature of Agoncillo's offense is regarded as so serious that no doubt is felt in official circles that positive measures to put a stop to the system of espionage established by the Filipino emissary will be justified. The government today came into possession of a dispatch filed by Agoncillo yesterday for transmission to the Filipino junta at Hongkong which contains the evidence in question. This dispatch was not obtained by the federal authorities here until after it had been transmitted.

"In substance, Agoncillo informed his Hongkong compatriots, who act as the official channel of communication between the Filipino diplomatic agents and Aguinaldo, that the senate had agreed to take a vote on the peace treaty on Feb. 6; that the treaty would probably be ratified; that it was the purpose of the president to pursue an aggressive policy in the Philippines when the ratification had been obtained; that re-enforcements sent to General Otis would arrive at Manila about that time; that if the Filipinos wanted independence they would be obliged to fight for it, and that now was the time to act before the American lines were strengthened by re-enforcements.

"Whether the dispatch was written in a secret cipher or in Spanish or some other language was not ascertained, but at any rate the government succeeded in obtaining a copy of the message in its plain English version. The message was read and discussed today by the administration officials concerned, and as a result of their conference its text was transmitted to Manila for the information of General Otis.

"What action the government will take in dealing with Agoncillo remains to be seen. It is evident, from the fact that the message was received so promptly, that Agoncillo is being closely watched. There is reason to believe that he will not be taken into custody at this time or otherwise made to appreciate the seriousness of his offense, but there is a strong feeling in official circles that his attitude toward the United States should not be tolerated any longer. It cannot be told with any degree of positiveness what the government intends to do, and in spite of the belief that Agoncillo will not be molested for the present the assertion of the authority of the United States may occur unexpectedly. The dispatch is construed to place Agoncillo in the attitude of an enemy of the United States, and as such he can be prosecuted without regard to his political status. After a consideration of the subject the government authorities have decided that until the treaty of peace has been ratified all Filipinos who have not foresworn the sovereignty of Spain for that of some recognized government are to be considered as Spanish subjects. Agoncillo comes within this class and can be arrested and tried as a spy.

"This is not the first offense of the kind committed by Agoncillo of which the government has knowledge. A copy of the instructions sent to General Otis by the secretary of war in regard to the situation at Iloilo, in which the purpose of the president to avoid a conflict with the Filipinos was set forth, was transmitted by Agoncillo to the Hongkong junta a few hours after the newspaper in which the instructions were published reached Washington.

"Soon after the knowledge of this action on Agoncillo's part came to the government General Otis established a strict censorship over telegrams at Manila, and the only way in which Agoncillo can now communicate quickly with Aguinaldo is by telegraphing to the junta at Hongkong and trusting to the junta to send the message to the Philippines by steamer. The defiant attitude of the Filipinos at Manila and Iloilo is believed here to be due to the delivery to them of the instructions to General Otis contained in Agoncillo's message."

School Commissioners' Pay.

ALBANY, Jan. 27. — Assemblyman West of Saratoga has introduced an important bill, which was prepared by the department of public instruction, increasing the salaries of school commissioners throughout the state. Under the present law school commissioners receive $1,000 salary and $200 for expenses. Under Mr. West's bill the salary will be increased to $1,200 and an allowance of $2 for each school above 150 in a school commissioner's district.

Appropriation Bill Introduced.

ALBANY, Jan. 27.—Mr. Allds has introduced the general appropriation bill in the assembly. The amount appropriated by this bill is $2,[illegible] less than the bill passed last year. The appropriations in this bill are, for the school fund, $[illegible]; for the general fund, $[illegible]; total, $[illegible]. Last year the amount appropriated for the school fund was $[illegible]; for the general fund, $[illegible]; total, $[illegible],912.06. The bill was ordered printed and recommitted.

To Pay Cortes Debts.

MADRID, Jan. 27.—Senor Gamazo, minister of the colonies, has cabled to General [illegible] to enter into negotiations [illegible] for Spain still debtor of, a final settlement of [illegible] all outstanding debts of the Spanish administration.

SPANISH CABINET MEETS.

Premier Sagasta Urges an Immediate Convocation of the Cortes.

MADRID, Jan. 27.—The cabinet met yesterday under the presidency of the queen regent. The absence of General Correa, the minister of war, was much commented upon and is believed to have been connected with a decision, not yet divulged, reached by the supreme military tribunal relative to General Jaudenez, the Spanish commander who capitulated at Manila, who has been in prison since Wednesday, and General Toral, who capitulated at Santiago, Cuba, who is absent from Madrid. It is reported that the court martial will exonerate General Toral on the ground that he acted under superior instructions, but that Admiral Montojo, who was defeated by Admiral Dewey at Cavite, will be tried for the incompetent condition of his fleet. The newspapers assert also that Admiral Cervera is also awaiting trial.

The premier, Senor Sagasta, outlined the government's intentions relative to the peace treaty. He said that information received by the minister of foreign affairs, Duke Almodovar de Rio, had created the impression that President McKinley feared the treaty would be defeated in the senate and apprehended "an obstinate resistance upon the part of the Philippine insurgents against the Americans, who desire to deprive them of independence and debase the Spanish government, which are sufficient reasons for the triumph of the antiannexationists in the senate."

Therefore the premier insisted that the convocation of the cortes should no longer be delayed.

ENGLAND AND AMERICA.

Home Secretary of Great Britain Rejoices Over Friendly Relations.

LONDON, Jan. 27. — Sir Matthew White-Ridley, secretary of state for the home department, was the principal speaker last evening at a great Unionist demonstration at Blackpool.

Referring to the historical events of the past year and particularly to the Spanish-American war, the home secretary said that the results of the war had been to make the United States an important factor not only in Asiatic, but possibly also European politics and to bring America face to face with some of the colossal problems and difficulties which Great Britain had long experienced.

"This," he continued, "is a serious event for the great powers of the world, but it is not likely to be disadvantageous to the British empire, which gladly acknowledges the kindly sympathy and the sense of common objects now animating alike the citizens of Great Britain and the United States and which feels that the continuance of the growth of this feeling must tend to the peace and prosperity of the world. The growth of such a feeling is far better than the formal alliance suggested by some."

Live Stock Report.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The department of agriculture has issued the following: "The returns of the number of live stock on farms in the United States on Jan. 1, 1899, show there to have been 13,665,307 horses, 2,134,213 mules, 15,990,115 milk cows, 27,994,225 oxen and other cattle, 39,114,453 sheep and 38,651,631 swine. These figures show a decrease of 295,604 in the number of horses, 56,069 in the number of mules, 1,269,972 in that of oxen and other cattle and 1,108,362 in that of swine. On the other hand there is an increase of 149,220 milk cows and 1,457,493 sheep. The average farm value of every description of live stock is higher than on the 1st of January, 1898.

New York State Dairymen.

GOUVERNEUR, N. Y., Jan. 27.—The second and last day of the twenty-second annual convention of the New York State Dairymen's association was a success. The attendance was 3,000, the Opera House and exhibition halls being overcrowded. The following officers were elected: President, S. B. Richardson, Lowville; vice president, G. A. Smith, Frankfort; secretary, W. W. Hall, Gouverneur; treasurer, F. E. Dawley, Fayetteville. The exhibit of butter and cheese was so large that the judges, after 36 hours' work, have not completed the premiums.

Santiago Customs Trouble Settled.

HAVANA, Jan. 27.—As the result of a conference between Governor General Brooke and General Leonard Wood, governor of the military department of Santiago, a mutual understanding has been reached regarding the customs receipts at Santiago. Santiago's $[illegible] will not be used in other provinces, but will be mortgaged to defray the cost of works now under way. The sum of $[illegible],000 is required for the water works at Santiago alone.

Governor Roosevelt's Reception.

ALBANY, Jan. 27.—Governor and Mrs. Roosevelt gave their first annual [illegible] from last night. The event was a great social success. Governor and Mrs. Roosevelt were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Woodruff, wife of Lieutenant Governor Woodruff, and Mrs. Cowles, sister of the governor. The guests were presented by Colonel [illegible] Treadwell, military secretary to the governor.

Earthquakes In Jamaica.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan. 27.—A severe earthquake shock, which was felt throughout this island on Saturday [illegible] on Tuesday [illegible] west to east. No damage has been reported. The northern [illegible] are totally cut off. The reason is unknown, but in all probability it is due to an earthquake.

Blizzard In Michigan.

CALUMET, Mich., Jan. 27.—The worst blizzard this city has ever seen is now in progress here. Business generally is suspended, and no trains are running. Three men are reported missing.

GARLAND STRICKEN.

Former Attorney General Dies In Supreme Court Chamber.

THE END OF A NOTABLE CAREER.

Was a Member of President Cleveland's Cabinet and One of the Most Distinguished Lawyers In the South.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Former Attorney General Augustus H. Garland was stricken with apoplexy while addressing the United States supreme court at 12:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and died within ten minutes. The occurrence came with startling and tragic unexpectedness, changing the usual calm and dignity of the court into temporary confusion, while the dying man was carried from the chamber in a futile effort to alleviate his condition.

When the court convened at noon, Mr. Garland resumed an argument in the case of Towson versus Moore, which had begun on Wednesday. There was a full bench, with the exceptions of Justices Brewer and White. Mr. Garland spoke calmly and with no evidence of agitation or effort. He had read from a law volume and had followed with the sentence, "This, your honors, is our contention."

As the last word was uttered Mr. Garland was seen to raise his hand and then gasp. He tottered and fell sidewise, striking against a chair and overturning it as he fell heavily to the floor. A succession of loud, deep gasps came from him as he lay on the floor.

His associate in the case, Mr. Franklin Mackey, was at once by his side, and with other counsel and officials the head of the dying man was raised, his shoes removed and a draft of water given him. A deathly pallor had overspread his face, and this soon gave place to a deep purple, which foretold the gravity of the attack.

He was carried from the chamber across to the room of Chief Clerk McKenney and there placed on a sofa. Senator Gallinger, who is a physician, was near at hand. A single glance told him that the attack would be fatal. Within ten minutes from the time of the stroke Mr. Garland breathed his last.

Augustus H. Garland was born in Tennessee in 1832, where he began the study of law at an early age. After having been admitted to the bar when 21 years old, he went to Little Rock, where he gained considerable celebrity.

He followed his state into secession and was present at the convention which decided upon the ordinance of separation from the Union. He was elected to the Confederate senate at Richmond and held his seat until the close of the war.

After peace had been established he helped reconstruct the state and was elected governor. He became prominent before the public by pleading an important case before the United States supreme court. It was the test oath question, in which southern lawyers were deeply interested.

Mr. Garland was elected to the United States senate from Arkansas in 1877, at which time it was said of him that he knew more law than any other man in the south.

President Cleveland brought Senator Garland's name prominently before the public by appointing him United States attorney general in March, 1885. In this position he became a conspicuous figure in Washington, where his family occupied a prominent position in society.

Cuban Roadmakers Strike.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, Jan. 27.—Two hundred men who had been engaged in roadmaking in this district went on strike yesterday. They had been receiving $1 per day and want $1.25, with rations. It is believed that two men have been guilty of inciting them to strike, and as soon as these are discovered they will be placed under arrest. Unless the strikers return to work at once other laborers will be employed.

Noted Clergyman Dead.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Jan. 27.—Benjamin Eastwood, rector emeritus of the Church of the Good Shepherd, died here yesterday. He was one of the best known Episcopal clergymen in New England. He resigned as the rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd on July 1, 1895, after having served the people for 25 years. He was born in Oldham, Lancashire, England, July 1, 1825.

Arrested For Fraudulent Statement.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Samuel White is under arrest in Philadelphia on the charge of having defrauded the Bank of the Metropolis of this city out of $1,[illegible] by means of a fraudulent statement as to his financial condition. Governor Roosevelt has made requisition on the governor of Pennsylvania for the return of White to this city.

Drowned While Playing.

LYONS, N. Y., Jan. 27.—While playing [illegible] yesterday afternoon [illegible] Condon, the 4-year-old daughter of [illegible] Compson, was drowned. The little girl had started out on the ice and was romping about when she fell into an airhole.

"Pure Beer" For Congress.

ALBANY, Jan. 27.—It seems likely that the so called "pure beer" bill [illegible] not trouble [illegible] this time, [illegible] of the fact that a bill is said to [illegible] for that purpose. The present intention is to leave the whole subject to congress.

Germany's Exports Decrease.

BERLIN, Jan. 26.—The publication of official figures regarding Germany's exports shows that the exports to the United States last year amounted to $[illegible] as against $97,[illegible] for 1897. The decrease was almost wholly in sugar.

ALGER ON THE BEEF.

The Secretary of War Testifies Before the Board of Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Secretary Alger appeared yesterday before the war board of inquiry. He explained that the larger part of the war fund had been used for coast defenses. He said the chiefs of bureaus often reported to him several times a day. He admitted some defects were apparent in the early days of the war, because it was impossible to handle such a large body of men on short notice. He did not recall having received complaints during the war in regard to the army food. There was a shortness at Santiago because the food could not be landed.

He said that the heads of bureaus all did their work well during the war. In answer to a question he denied that he had, directly or indirectly, any interest in the selection of army camps or any interest in any contract for materials supplied during the war. He added that that statement applied also to the purchase of transports.

Governor Beaver introduced the army beef controversy by asking Secretary Alger if he had received from General Miles a request that no more fresh beef be sent to Porto Rico. The secretary replied that his annual report contained such a dispatch, General Miles stating that there was plenty of fresh beef in the island. General Miles had said something about some beef spoiling.

Reverting to the beef, Secretary Alger said that canned beef was not used as an experiment and that he had no private money interest in the feeding of the troops.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The streets of Salem, Ark., are said to be filled with smallpox patients.

Julius Vortreide, editor of The German Express, died at Toledo at the age of 80 years.

The cyclones in the south seas killed over 500 natives, wrecked vessels and damaged crops.

Fire in Johnstown, Pa., destroyed the Towner library, containing 7,000 valuable medical books.

A big tin plate company has filed articles of incorporation at Trenton, with a capital of $20,625,000.

Commandant Cromwell, at Havana, has recommended that the naval station and yard there be abandoned.

Thirteen-year-old Charles Ayres cut the throat of T. B. Hunter, his teacher, at Albany, Mo., while being flogged.

The Rubber Goods Manufacturing company has been incorporated at Trenton, with a capital of $56,000,000.

The thief who stole £60,000 from Parr's bank in London returned £40,000 by post. The bank declared a dividend of 19 per cent.

Feeding Twenty Thousand Daily.

HAVANA, Jan. 27.—Twenty thousand persons are fed daily in Cuba at the expense of the United States. The machinery of the military administration is working toward the relief of 15,000 or 20,000 more, and probably another million rations will be required in addition to the 2,000,000 ordered on the first of the month. Since Jan. 10 1,300,000 rations have been sent to department and district commanders. The supply ship Comal, now on her way around the island, is disembarking the remainder of the 2,000,000 rations ordered for Cuba on Jan. 1. She has landed 115,000 rations at Matanzas, and she is due to deposit 100,000 at Nuevitas today. Then she will proceed to Cienfuegos, afterward coming to Havana.

Departure Not Regretted.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Jan. 27.—Sir Herbert Murray, the retiring governor of Newfoundland, who is to be succeeded by Sir Henry Edward McCallum, late governor and commander in chief of the British colony of Lagos, West Africa, sailed for England yesterday. Owing to the unfriendly relations he sustained in consequence of his methods toward both political parties in the island there was no popular demonstration of regret at his departure.

Wanted In England.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Jan. 27.—Baron and Baroness de Barra, who were on Wednesday arrested here, are still held. The officers intended to take them to Jacksonville yesterday, but a deputy marshal arrived from New York with a requisition for the pair from the English government, they being charged with having fraudulently obtained $[illegible] in England. President McKinley has been asked to grant the requisition.

Clark Lacks Eight Votes.

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 27.—The fifteenth senatorial ballot resulted: Clark, 4[illegible]; Conrad, [illegible]; Maginnis, 8; Fox, 1; Grubb (Rep.), 15; necessary to choice, 48. The grand jury has reported on the bribery charges, and found no evidence on which to base a true bill.

New Line to Omaha.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 27.—The Minneapolis and St. Louis road, it is announced, will build a line from the twin cities direct to Omaha. This statement was made by General Manager Truesdale on his return from the conference with higher officials in New York.

The Princeton at Gibraltar.

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 27.—The United States gunboat Princeton, Commander [illegible], which left New York on Jan. 11 for Manila, has arrived here and is coaling. She will proceed on Saturday next.

Two Americans Knighted.

CHRISTIANIA, Jan. 27.—United States Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota, the Norwegian commissioner to the [illegible] exhibition and Mr. O. A. Thorp of Chicago have been gazetted Knights of St. Olaf.

Steam Scalds Six.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Six [illegible] were scalded [illegible] in [illegible] Brooklyn, New York, at the [illegible] yesterday, and two of them are expected to die.

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A Little Diplomacy

By EWEN McPHERSON.

CHARLIE CANTEL preferred to walk home from his office that evening. As a rule he rode home on his wheel, and his home was in that very pleasant, though new, house with the large garden separated by a wall and handsome iron railings from the street, a good way out on the principal residence thoroughfare. This particular evening in the fall he was rather late; most of the homeward bound had reached their destinations; so Charlie's walk in the dusk was lonely.

His way in was through the iron wicket with the fine scrollwork on either side. The gate fastened with a spring latch and opened from the outside with a latch key, like a street door. When he had gone up the brick path he would find the door of the house itself unlocked. That was the custom of the family.

As he put his latch key into the wicket he wondered whether his mother was keeping supper waiting for him. Then he turned the key, pushed the iron gate and was startled by a sudden exclamation.

"Oh! It's you!"

The voice came from behind one of the brick pillars of the gate, and it made Charlie jump.

"Who's that?" he said, trying to make out the shadowy figure.

"It's me," came the unenlightening answer in a meek voice. "I couldn't get the latch undone. It was open. I mean, it slipped."

He could not see her face, and the statements. "It's you and it's me," told him nothing, of themselves; but he recognized the voice at the second speaking.

"Miss Saxby?"

"Yes."

"Why didn't they come down with you and let you out. Or, won't you stay to supper?"

"They don't know. I haven't been in the house. Please let me out."

Charlie entered the house just as the family were collecting for supper. The first person he met was his sister, and the first words he said to her were: "Chrissie, what is the matter with Minnie Saxby?"

"I didn't know there was anything the matter with her. How do you mean? 'In mind, body or estate?' "

"What are you talking about? I mean is she—is she getting a little eccentric?"

"Matter of opinion," said Chrissie in her brisk way, pulling her brother along with her into the dining-room. "Some say she always has been a good deal eccentric. What's she been doing now?"

Somehow Charlie Cantel thought he ought not to answer this question. So he said: "Oh, nothing."

If he had only known, that was about as ill-chosen an answer for his purpose as he could have made.

A smile. That, Chrissie resolved, would be a very effective implement to unlock the secret. Chrissie had several smiles, all peculiar to herself, and as fascinating as a little red mouth and remarkably white teeth could make them. So she selected the particular smile that should extort a confession from one of these two conspirators. For people who tried to keep from Chrissie Cantel a secret concerning the happiness of her favorite brother were of course conspirators. And she was sure that this secret—about Minnie Saxby, a girl with whom any youth would naturally fall in love—must certainly concern Charlie's happiness

With that selected smile Chrissie met Minnie Saxby bright and early next morning. It was not a chance meeting, but very simply and easily secured, seeing that Chrissie knew exactly what hour Minnie's singing lesson ended Tuesdays and Thursdays

It was a smile as of one who knows all about it, and from whom it is useless to conceal anything Poor Minnie saw it, and immediately collapsed, blushing and saying within herself, "He has told her about it."

"I don't know what you'll think of me," she said, "Did he tell you?"

"Tell me?" said Chrissie, taking note of the blush and intensifying her all-knowing smile. "Tell me what? He? Who is he?"

"Oh I can hardly look you in the face, Chrissie."

"Why, dear?"

"Because—"

Then there was a silence. Minnie came very near to finding out that her friend was utterly without a clew, and might be kept in the dark just as long as she, Minnie, chose. But Chrissie soon saw this danger, and said, just to help out the knowing effect of the smile. "I met him just as he came into the house."

"Good gracious! And he went and told you everything?"

Again the deep, all-knowing smile.

"I didn't think—" Minnie began.

"Oh come now, Minnie, what harm was there?"

"Harm?" said Minnie indignantly. "I should think not. I would have rung the bell, of course only—"

"Only what?" Chrissie put in, feeling that now she was coming close to the secret

"Only I didn't see any necessity If I had thought you expected me to—"

Here the cunning investigator felt it wise to turn her head aside knowing that the powerful smile must momentarily be giving way to an expression of blank bewilderment What on earth could the girl mean by "If I had thought you expected me to?" Where did she Chrissie come in in the thrilling love mystery?

"I didn't expect you to dear," she thought it safe to say. And then not feeling it safe to carry on the investigation any further in that direction just then, she kissed her friend and went her way.

And poor Minnie stood still for a moment, irresolute. The next moment she seemed to take her courage in both hands, and ran after the other girl, calling, "Chrissie, come back just a minute."

"What is it now," said Chrissie, with that deep smile more in evidence than ever.

"Won't you tell me?" said Minnie. "Did he? I don't want him to know that I cared."

"Oh, but he does know."

Minnie flushed scarlet.

"You might have spared yourself the trouble of trying to keep it from him, my dear," Chrissie went on, laughing outright.

"Then tell me at once. Oh, I don't care—I didn't. There!" and Miss Saxby cut the interview short.

Charlie Cantel's sister really had very little information to go upon. If you look at it from the detective point of view; but from the point of view of a quick-witted girl, who was also an inquisitive sister, she had abundant material for further research.

"I saw Minnie Saxby, to-day," she said to her brother that evening.

"How is she?" said Charlie.

"Oh, very well; only rather—rather anxious."

"What is she anxious about?" said Charlie, himself still wondering why Miss Saxby had acted so strangely about the simple matter of opening a garden gate.

"Well," said Chrissie, with an air of extreme discretion. "I think—of course, it's only an opinion—I think she's anxious about you."

"About me?"

Chrissie only nodded wisely.

"Did she tell you about my meeting her?" Charlie went on, beginning to feel flattered, at the anxiety about him of a young lady whom he had long admired at a distance and regarded as somewhat unapproachable by nature.

"My dear Charlie," said his sister, "you don't expect a girl to tell everything, do you—even to an intimate friend?"

Charlie was more puzzled than ever. But once more he baffled his wily sister by simply holding his tongue when he had nothing to say.

Chrissie had her way of getting at a mystery, and her brother had his. His was less subtle, but he was just as persevering as his sister, and the thought that Minnie Saxby was anxious about him spurred him to exert himself to find out why she should be anxious. That was why he sat for over an hour in Miss Saxby's parlor that evening waiting for a third person to take himself out of the way. Curiously enough, Miss Saxby seemed to use all her arts—chiefly musical—to induce the third person to prolong his visit.

But at last this third person did go, and Minnie began to be noticeably ill at ease in the presence of her remaining visitor.

"I was waiting for him to go," said Charlie.

Minnie smiled a forced, nervous smile.

"I wanted to ask you something. Chrissie says you are anxious."

At this Miss Saxby suddenly looked more than anxious—she looked frightened.

"What did she tell you?"

"She said she met you, and—"

"And you had told her all about meeting me, and I—oh, Mr. Cantel, I'm afraid you'll think me a very silly girl, but I didn't want her to know about that."

"Why not? You had just come out of the house, and couldn't open the gate. What about it?"

"But I hadn't been to the house. I told you so."

"You hadn't? Look here. Miss Saxby, my sister is trying to mystify both of us. I never told her about meeting you."

"You didn't? Then what did you tell her?"

"When I went into the house I only asked her what was the matter with you, and then I thought—it suddenly struck me as rather a queer sort of thing to say, and I turned it off somehow. Now, let's understand each other. Just tell me how you got mixed up with that gate last night."

"I wanted to speak to Chrissie about—something. And the gate was unfastened and I went in without ringing Then, before I got to the house I changed my mind and turned back, and while I was bungling with the latch it slipped and locked me in."

"But what made you turn back?"

"I thought better of it—what I had meant to ask her."

"Was it anything to do with me?"

A silence followed, Minnie looking extremely embarrassed.

"Come, now," said Charlie, to relieve the awkwardness, "we might as well understand each other and fool Chrissie, mightn't we?"

It suddenly struck Minnie in the same way.

"It was awfully foolish of me," she said "I was going to ask her if you had really given that book to Jessie Kirke'

"Book?"

"The one I gave you at Easter. And it seemed such a foolish question that I turned back without going into the house"

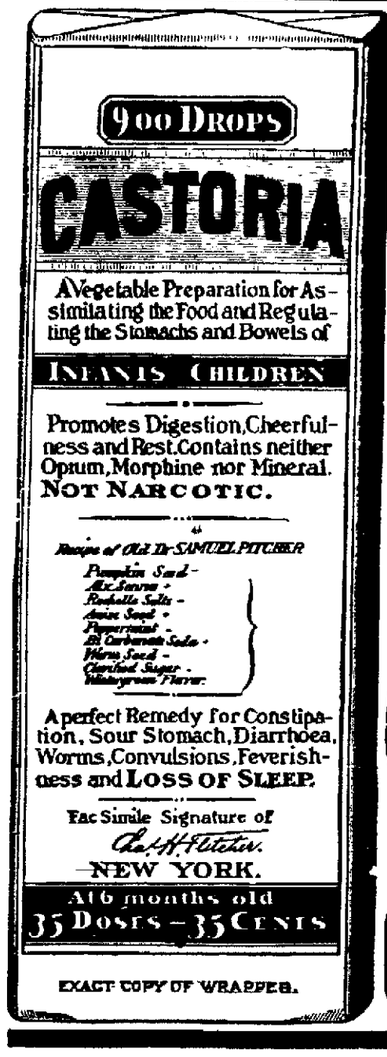
"Of course, I didn't give your book to Miss Kirke Did you care so much?"

"She has one just like it, you know. I didn't look inside it"

"But you would have cared?"

After that matters moved fast.

But although Chrissie did not find out the truth about that meeting at the gate until Minnie chose to tell her, months afterward, she always insisted that her (Chrissie's) diplomacy had been crowned with success.



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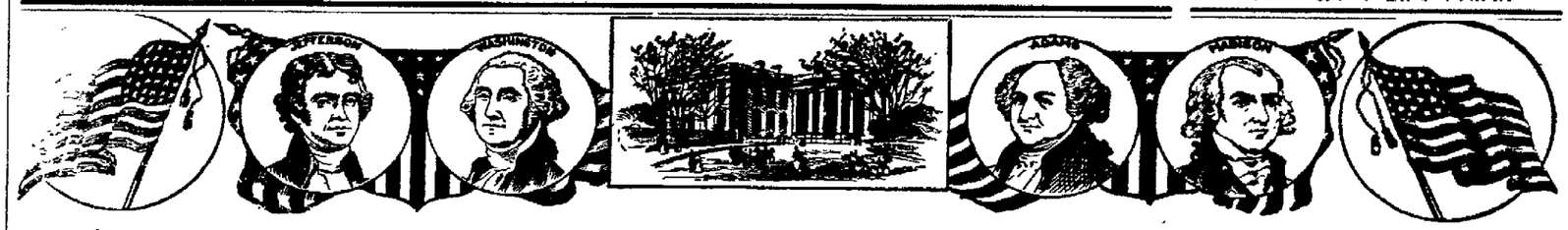
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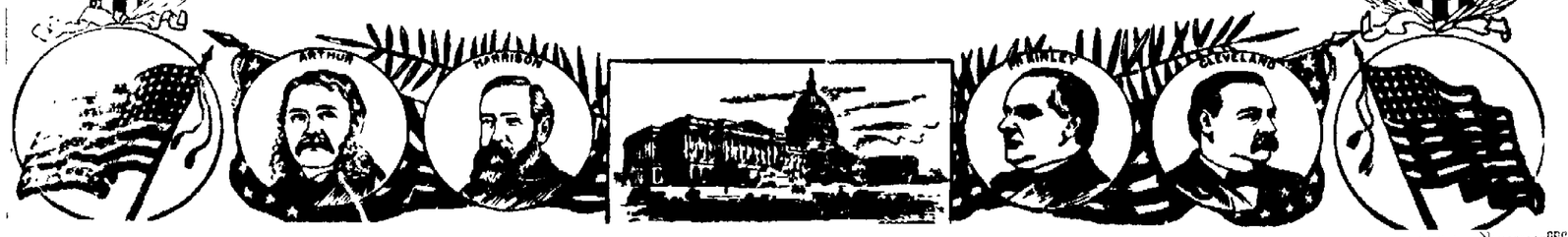
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WELLING ESTATE SETTLEMENT.

Heirs of Thomas Welling Adjust the Shortage in the W. R. Welling Trust Fund.

At the meeting in Warwick, Saturday, of the executors and heirs of Thomas Welling with the surviving trustees and residuary legatees of the W. R. Welling trust fund an amicable settlement was effected.

The *Dispatch* says that the executors of the Thomas Welling estate made a proposition to the other residuary legatees and to Mrs. W. R. Welling, which was accepted.

This proposition was that all of the real estate of which Thomas Welling died seized, except the homestead farm, should be turned over to the trustee of the W. R. Welling fund; also all his bank stock, creamery stock and other personal property. In addition to this the widow of the late Thomas Welling offered to waive all her rights of dower, and her right as devisee of the share of her deceased son, Edward L., in the trust fund, (estimated at about $7,000). Other claims held by members of the family were also waived.

The executors also offered to raise $10,000 in cash and turn the same over to the trust fund.

The proposition was generally regarded as a very honorable and generous one and fully sustained the early statement that the heirs of Thomas Welling would make sacrifices to satisfy other interested parties.

The executors of the estate of Thomas Welling were authorized to sell all the real estate except the homestead, which will be retained by Thomas Welling, Jr., turning the net proceeds of such sale into the trust fund.

The homestead farm, which is reserved, is a magnificent tract of over 300 acres.

Mrs. W. R. Welling, who receives an annuity of $8,000, declined to accept a lump sum in lieu of this yearly stipend. The residuary legatees were anxious to make her a liberal offer, but Mrs. Welling declined to consider any such proposition. She did agree, however, to waive the payment of $1,400,—the balance due her from last year's annuity.

MR. HARRIMAN'S LAST PURCHASE

Hayward, a Full Brother of Stamboulette, Bought in California.

Hayward, a green trotter of promise, and a full brother of Stamboulette, 2:10¼, and Ellert, 2:19, has just been purchased in California by E. H. Harriman, of Arden. The horse was raised by Alvinza Hayward, of San Francisco, and is now six years old. He is by Mr. Harriman's champion stallion Stamboul, 2:07¼, out of Lady Escott, 2:26¼, by Arthurton; granddam Young Lady Vernon, by Dave Hill; third dam the famous old trotting mare Lady Vernon, that gained a record of 2:29½ on Long Island in 1853. Hayward will be shipped to Goshen, and fitted there by W. J. Andrews for the coming campaign.

It is a singular coincidence that old Lady Vernon, 2:29½, was owned in Goshen by W. H. Ward, just fifty years ago, and that her great-grandson should finally return to this historic home for trotters.

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Election of Officers of Newburgh's Trust Company.

The Columbus Trust Company, of Newburgh, elected the following officers, Wednesday:

Pres.—Joseph VanCleft.
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Secretary and Treasurer—H. A. Bartlett.
Attorney—Walter C. Anthony.

HOWELLS.

Arthur B. Case's Death—Home Again—Well Attended Sociable.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The news of the death of Arthur D. Case, who was killed at Greycourt, Wednesday evening, was a sad surprise and real shock to his friends here, his former home. Much sympathy is felt and expressed for his family, especially for his young wife.

—John Morris has returned from a two months' visit to relatives in New Jersey.

—The sociable held at S. S. Mapes' for the benefit of the Congregational Church was largely attended for the night was a very fine one.

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Proceedings Before Surrogate O. P. Newell, to Jan. 25.

WILLS ADMITTED.

The wills of the following persons have been admitted to probate: Last will and testiment of Wilhelmina Schneider, late of Deerpark, Frederick Redeker, ex'r; of Edward A. Millspaugh, late of Warwick, J. E. Millspaugh, ex'r; of Francis Wiley, late of Monroe, Herbert R. F. Wiley, ex'r; of Esther Luquer, late of Hamptonburgh, J. W. Gott, ex'r, (further opposition to this will was discontinued Jan. 23d.); of James Edwards, late of Chester, Alfred Taylor, ex'r; of Frederic Bodine, late of Montgomery, T. G. Bodine, ex'r; of Joanna Ketcham, late of Cornwall, R. Ketcham, ex'r; of Whitmore Baxter, late of Montgomery, Mary Jane Baxter, ex'x.

The next hearing in the matter of contesting the last will and testament of Nancy B. McNeal, late of Montgomery, is set down for January 26th, before the Surrogate at Goshen.

ADMINISTRATION.

Letters of administration have been granted as follows: On the estate of Mary L. Bodine, late of Montgomery, to John J. Vanderoef, friend, (former administrator deceased); of Honora Van Dyke, late of the county of Pike, Pa., who died leaving assets in the county of Orange, to Theodore Ludlum and Chas. I. Peck, friends; of Sarah J. Still, late of Cornwall, to Elizabeth A. Still, child; of Catharine Fleury, late of Montgomery, to Mary Pearson, sister, and Mary A. Pearson, niece; of Sarah F. Kelso, late of Montgomery, to John J. Vanderoef, friend.

DECREES.

Decrees have been entered in the matter of the judicial accounting of William H. Crane and William H. Nearpass, ex'rs and trustees of Ann Bell, late of Deerpark; of Henry C. Cunningham, ex'r of Effie Love, late of Deerpark; of H. Denton White, adm'r of William N. White, late of Wallkill; of Joseph W. Gott and Eliza A. Heard, ex'rs of John J. Heard, late of Goshen; of John Young, adm'r of James Neely, late of Warwick; of Peter E. Farnum, general guardian of Henry H. Farnum, late a minor now of full age; of A. Gardner, ex'r of Julia A. Scheonmaker, late of Goshen.

BATTLE WITH BURGLARS.

Surprised While at Work by a Watchman, Whom They Beat Cruelly and Then Escaped.

H. H. Goodwin, watchman at the Standard Oil Company's plant at Newburgh, found a man loitering near the office, early Thursday morning. The man ran as he approached and Goodwin gave chase. The fugitive fired at the watchman, who closed in on him and choked him into submission, when the fellow's two pals, who had been cracking the safe in the office, appeared on the scene. They struck Goodwin over the head with a bar of iron and beat and kicked him until he was helpless and the three then made their escape. The burglars left the office so hastily that they left behind them a kit of tools. The police say that the burglars were amateurs in the act of safe cracking.

Newburgh Firemen's Association Declares a Dividend.

The Newburgh Firemen's Association found at its annual meeting, Wednesday night, that there was a balance of $522.39 in the treasurer's hands and it was voted to declare a dividend of $70 to each of the seven companies in the association. John F. Tucker, of the *Register*, was elected president of the association.

CRAWFORD.

Successful Donation Visit—The Village Store—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The young people of Crawford as well as the old had a very enjoyable time at the donation held at the parsonage for the Rev. Geo. W. Westscott. The proceeds were $33.

—Justice of the Peace Geo. Decker has rented Gilbert Decker's store for the coming season. Mr. Decker is a very highly esteemed citizen and we wish him all possible success

—Geo. Green expects to take a trip to West Point, Monday.

—Miss Lulu Miller has gone to New York to be a stenographer, and she is missed very much by her large circle of friends.

—Miss May Atkins is spending a few days in Bruynswick.

BLOOMINGBURGH.

Took an Examination at Wurtsboro—A Lecture Postponed.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—A number of the advanced scholars of our school went to Wurtsboro, Thursday morning, to take the ninth grade examination.

—The lecture that was to have been given in the M. E. Church, Tuesday evening, by Rev. R. A. Brown on "The Battle Fields of the South," was postponed on account of the storm until Friday evening, February 3.

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So much misery and so many deaths have been caused by the Grip, that every one should know what a wonderful remedy for this malady is found in Dr. King's New Discovery. That distressing stubborn cough, that inflames your throat, robs you of your sleep, weakens your system and paves the way for consumption is quickly stopped by this matchless cure. If you have chills and fever, pain in the back of the head, soreness in bones and muscles, sore throat and that cough that grips your throat like a vice, you need Dr. King's New Discovery to cure your Grip, and prevent pneumonia or consumption. Price 50 cents and $1. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at J. J. Chambers's drug store.

"Life Renewer" for Ladies.

Olivia Peterson, of Coldwater, Mich., writes: "I had not been able to sit up half day at a time for thirteen years until I used the Mystic Life Renewer. It has cured me of nervous troubles, headache and a very bad stomach. It has helped me in so many ways, and cured me of afflictions that the doctors said could not be cured. The blessed Life Renewer has done more for me than all the patent medicines, doctors and christian science treatments combined. It is the most wonderful medicine I ever saw."

Sold by J. E. Mills, Druggiste, No. 4 Empire Block, Middletown.

In Its Advanced

and chronic form a cold in the head is known as Nasal Catarrh and is the recognized source of other diseases. Having stood the test of continued successful use, Fly's Cream Balm is recognised as a specific for membranal diseases in the nasal passage, and you make a great mistake in not resorting to this treatment in your case. To test it a trial size for 10 cents or the large for 50 cents is mailed by Ely Brother, 56 Warren Street, New York. Druggists keep it.

Distressing Stomach Disease.

Permanently cured by the masterly power of South American Nervine Tonic. Invalids need no longer suffer because this great remedy can cure them all. It is a cure for the whole world of stomach weakness and indigestion. The cure begins with the first dose. The relief it brings is marvelous and surprising. It makes no failure; never disappoints. No matter how long you have suffered, your cure is certain under the use of this great health-giving force. Pleasant and always safe.

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All pain banished by Dr. Miles' Pain Pills

THIS IS OUR LAST CLEARANCE SALE BEFORE STOCK TAKING!

The great yearly reckoning—the most important one in any business. We had a profitable year, and the stocks show it. The unmistakable ear marks of good business are all around us broken assortments, odds and ends, small lots—too plentiful to suit us We won't take them in stock; but they go at this great clearance sale.

What's a Clearance Sale?

It's mission (strange as it may seem) is to lose money; this being the only way in which a great mass of merchandise can be disposed of infallibly at an arbitrarily fixed time. But for this one week let them go An unfaltering business policy demands that these goods must be sold before inventory, and these prices will do the work.

SALE WILL BEGIN ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th, and End on the Following Saturday, Feb. 4th.

HOTEL KEEPERS AND BOARDINGHOUSE KEEPERS BUY YOUR LINENS AND BEDDING AT THIS GREAT SALE.

Dress Goods.

Here is a greater aggregation of superior Dress Goods bargains than you have seen under one roof for many a month. These goods are all comparatively new, absolutely this season's make. The price reductions for this clearance sale are phenomenal, as you will find by comparing any or all of these prices with the lowest elsewhere quoted.

Beautiful Novelty Goods, black figured Mohairs, former price 29 to 35c, sale price 18c per yard.

40-inch wide Novelties in a variety of two-toned effects, actual and positive 50c goods, sale price 29c per yard.

25 pieces of Dress Goods, containing some wide and richly all wool Etamine Suitings, in a handsome range of colors, worth 65 to 75c a yard, sale price 39c per yard.

All wool Blue English Storm Serge, 54 inches wide, actual value 79c., sale price 50c per yard.

Black Surah Serge, fine twill, 75c quality at sale 50c per yard

Black Surah Serge, 50 inches wide, very fine twill, $1 35 quality, reduced to $1 per yard.

Black French Crepon, was $2.50 per yard sale price $1.35 per yard.

Household Linens.

We strive to keep a perfect linen store. Experts who cannot be swindled with cotton buy our linens. Middletown is finding out the nature of our stock and the values we offer. These especially low prices for sales week, to close out a great lot of our linen before stock taking, will make busy times in our linen store.

Tablecloths by the Yard.

At 12½c a yard, Turkey Red Tablecloth, usually sold for 25c.

At 25c a yard, Unbleached Tablecloth, half linen bleached Cotton Tablecloth

At 39c a yard, good wearing three-quarter Unbleached Table Linen, 66 inches wide, reduced from 50c.

At 59c a yard, the extra heavy old fashioned German Table Linen grass bleached and free from dressing, 64 inches wide

At 65c a yard, grass bleached substantial Table Linen, small and neat patterns; also heavy Unbleached Table Linen 66 inches wide.

A $1 a yard, fine Flemish 8s in Damask Table Linens, in new and handsome designs, 72 inches wide, reduced from $1 35 to $1 per yard for this linen sale.

Pillow Cases.

36x46, regularly 12½c, now 9c each.

Best Pillow Cases, regularly 16c., now each 12½c.

Sheets and Pillow Cases.

A great stock awaits you, but the selling is sure to be rapid. Come and get your share.

Bleached Muslin Sheets.

Hemmed and ready for use, regularly 50c., now 35c.

Better quality, usually 65c., now 50c each.

2,000 Yards Best Calico.

Usually 5 to 6c, sale price per yard 2½c.

White Bed Quilts

50c each, full sized Crochet Quilts, usually 75c.

75c each, good heavy Crochet Quilts, the $1 kind

$1 each, very large and heavy Crochet Quilts, worth $1 35.

$1 25 each, fine White Marseilles Quilts, $2 value

$1 75 each, a specially fine $2 50 Marseilles Quilt

Silk Tidings Extraordinary.

We mean to sweep our shelves clear of certain lines of Dress Silks, and prices won't be permitted to stand in the way. If ever choice and seasonable Dress Silks were sold at phenomenal reductions they will be at this sale.

Read these prices

Fancy Figured Taffetas, in an assortment of colors, also checks and plaids, very suitable for waists or entire costumes. This lot includes some goods that we have sold for 75 and 89c. We will place the entire lot on one of our center counters, Saturday, at the clearance price of 39c per yard.

Two-toned and plain Taffetas, $1 quality, at sale 59c per yard

Black Satin Duchess, 24 inches wide, 98c value, at sale 69c per yard

Black Peau de Soie, all pure silk, a heavy lustrous quality, $1.50 value, reduced at sale to $1 per yard.

Black Figured Gros Grains and Satins, in rich designs, would be good value for $1, sale price, per yard, 69c

Napkins.

At 50c a dozen good wearing Bohemian Napkins, 15 inches square.

At $1 a dozen good size good looking Napkins that will give satisfactory wear A few washings will bring them to a permanent white

At $1.25 a dozen silver bleached soft finished Napkins Just the sort for hotels and restaurants, 20 inches square, worth $1 50

At $1 75 a dozen splendid quality snow white Irish Damask Napkins, 21 inches square, marked down from $2 50

Numerous other sorts at various prices.

Fringed Doylies.

At 35c a dozen, Check Doylies, fringed edges, worth 50c.

At 50c a dozen, large Fringed Doylies, with colored borders.

At $1 20 a dozen, very large Fringed Napkins, colored borders, reduced from $1 50.

Towels.

Brown Turkish Towels and Honeycomb Towels 50c a dozen.

Very large brown Turkish and Bleached Honeycomb Towels 9c each

Very substantial grass bleached Huckaback Towels from Scotland, hemmed ends, large size, 12½c each.

Fine soft Damask Towels, with pretty knotted fringe, 23x45 inches, 25c each.

Handsome Huckaback Towels, made of silky flax from Ireland, that will give years of service, ready hemmed, 25c each

Fine large handsome all white Damask Towels from Germany, knotted fringe, 49c each.

Toweling by the Yard.

Good bleached or unbleached Crash Toweling 2½c per yard.

At 8c a yard, brown Linen Toweling, bleached Linen Toweling with border and Checked Linen Grass Toweling, worth 10 to 12½c

Remnants of Toweling, each 3 yards long, 25c a remnant

Fringed Wash Rags 2c each.

Muslins.

2,000 yards of Bleached Muslin, at sale 3½c a yard.

Best Bleached Muslin, 9c quality, at sale 5½c a yard

Best Unbleached Muslin, usual price 8c a yard, at sale 3½c a yard.

Sheeting and Pillow Muslin.

1¼ yards Pillow Muslin, bleached, 8c., worth 12½c.; unbleached, 7c., worth 10c.

Wide Sheeting.

UNBLEACHED.

2 yards 12c, worth 19c.
2¼ yards 13c, worth 21c.
2½ yards 14c., worth 23c.

BLEACHED.

2 yards 13c, worth 20c.
2¼ yards 14c., worth 22c.
2½ yards 15c., worth 25c.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 27.—Fair, till Monday, with cold wave in eastern portion; northwesterly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store to-day:
7 a. m., 24°; 12 m. 23°, 3 p. m., 22°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Jan 27—Y P. S. C. E. rally at the Congregational Church.
—Jan. 27—"The Royal Box," at the Casino.
—Jan. 28—Cake sale at B. C. Tuthill's drug store, 108 North street.
—Jan 30—Feb. 4—Tommy Shearer and company, at Casino.
—Jan 31—Miss Myers' dancing class reception at Assembly Rooms.
—Feb. 2—Oyster supper at First Baptist Church, under auspices of Ladies' Aid Society.
—Feb. 13—McQuoid's annual ball, at Casino.
—Feb. 14—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Rev. Russell H. Conwell, at the Casino.
—Feb. 22—Jr. O. U. A. M. second annual ball at Assembly Rooms.
—March 17—St Patrick's Day—Billy Allison's masquerade ball, at the Casino.
—March 17—Second annual reception and ball of St. Patrick's Social Club, at Assembly Rooms.

The willingness of Gov. Roosevelt to consult with Republican machine leaders is only equalled by his unwillingness to be influenced by their suggestions and recommendations when they run contrary to his ideas of public duty. Gov. Roosevelt is the only Republican Governor of recent years who has done any governing.

The factional fight in the Republican party in Delaware county is being renewed in anticipation of the town meetings to be held next month. The so-called Delhi ring is determined to control the next Board of Supervisors, but in many towns there is strong opposition to ring candidates and ring methods. Delaware counnty has not been a well governed county in recent years, and the cost of local government has been high, but the average Delaware county Republican has not yet become sufficiently enlightened to seek relief in the only sure way, by defeating the candidates for Supervisor who are allies of the ring. Relying on the party loyalty of the great mass of Republicans the ring will spend its money to secure the nomination of its candidates, and this done will feel sure that it has two years more of pickings in sight.

CELEBRATED THEIR BIRTHDAYS.

Three Well Known Members of the Maennerchor Pleasantly Entertain Many Friends.

Thursday marked the seventy-fifth birthday of Charles F. Korn, the sixtieth birthday of William C. F. Bastian and the thirty-seventh birthday of leader Opitz, of the Germania Maennerchor. It was celebrated by a "commers" at the hall on Centre street, Friday night, about 150 men being present. A lunch with an abundant accompaniment of highly-lauded Orange county beer, was served first and around the festive board the party enjoyed speeches, songs and recitations until midnight.

President Korn appointed W. C. F. Bastian as toastmaster, and the latter made an address on the relationship of Germany and America. He was roundly applauded. Remarks were also made by Otto Schneider, Jr., Otto Schneider, Sr., Louis Kern, Joseph Mismer, Adolph Forthoffer, August Kroeger, Wm. Vogel, Adam Heckroth, Otto Heck, Henry Thoneman, Theo. Reinecke, Jr., Henry Newman, Chas. F. Korn, W. Schwartz, Charles Keener, Christian Goetz, W. Hoff, Gustave Guenther, F. Coste, F. Ham, Lawrence Hornlein, Max Goodyear and John Lell. Otto Schneider, Sr., and Jr., and August Kroeger gave recitations, and Wm. Hardie sang a song: "Are you coming home, to-night?"

The fun broke up about midnight.

POLICE LEGISLATION FOR NEW YORK

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ALBANY, Jan. 27—Hon. Benj B. Odell, Jr., chairman of the Republican State Committee, after a conference, to-day, with Gov Roosevelt, said there would certainly be police legislation for New York city introduced at this session of the legislature.

He was not at liberty, however, to make any statements, particularly as to the nature of the measure which the Governor will favor.

Arguing a Motion for a New Trial.

Edwin S. Merrill and W. F. O'Neill are in Brooklyn, to-day, the former urging and the latter opposing a motion for a new trial in the slander case of Robert A. Sayer vs. Lewis B Scott. It will be remembered that Mr. Sayer secured a verdict of $150 and costs at the first trial.

Dislocated His Wrist.

M. B. Van Fleet fell on the walk near his home, Thursday, and dislocated his wrist.

SENATOR PLATT'S SPEECH.

His Discussion of the Philippine Question—His Views of the Nation's Duty.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Senator Platt in his speech on Senator Vest's resolution said he opposed it because he looked on it as an amendment to the treaty. He briefly discussed the constitutional right to hold the Philippines. In concluding he said:

"I don't know and I don't think any one else can know just what ought to be done with the Philippine Islands beyond this, that we ought as instantly as possible to complete the withdrawal of their soverignty from Spain and that we ought ourselves to assume its obligations and prudently discharge them until we have had full opportunity in our own councils to determine their best disposition. This is all that the treaty of Paris proposes or imposes It is all that administration has at any time suggested. It is no more than safe and conservative policy advises, no less than our public obligations require. It is a clear, plain, positive duty not to be got rid of by evasion nor even by denial. It would remain after you had rejected the treaty. It lies in the nature of the situation. Your army, your navy and your flag are at Manila. You can add to their dangers if you will, but their duty abides and the will of the nation must be done."

EATEN BY CANNIBALS.

Shocking Fate of Eleven Shipwrecked Sailors—One Man Escaped to Tell the Story of Their Tale.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 27—After escaping death by drowning, eleven of the crew of the ship Manbare were captured and eaten by cannibals in New Guinea.

The Manbare was bound for Sidney, Australia, when she was caught in a terrible gale in December, near Cape Nelson and began sinking. The crew, eighteen altogether, left the vessel in boats and soon became separated. One boat, containing twelve men, was finally thrown ashore ten miles from the cape. The sailors were seized by the natives from the interior and hurried off to the village of the chief. One man, James Greene, escaped.

The sailors were stripped and bound and one was killed each day. The wild orgie was participated in by a hundred savages who gathered for the feast. In most cases the men were beheaded, their heads being stuck on poles and paraded before the men who were to suffer the same fate.

Greene was rescued by a steamer after tramping without food day and night to the coast. The scenes of horror turned his hair a snowy white.

UNITED IN DEATH.

Wife Died of Heart Disease and Shock of Her Death Killed Her Husband.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Emile Reutter, a wholesale flour dealer of Brooklyn, and his wife, Ida, died last night.

They had attended a theatre and were on their way home, when Mrs. Reutter, uttering a faint cry, fell to the sidewalk. Her husband rang the door bell of the house in front of which she had fallen and aided in carrying her in. Doctors were called, but Mrs. Reutter was dead before they arrived.

Reutter left to tell a friend of his wife's death and was just mounting the steps of the house in which her dead body lay when he staggered and fell. He was carried into the house and the same doctors, who were summoned for his wife, were called, but again they were too late, for Reutter was dead. The doctors believe Mrs. Reutter's death was caused by heart disease, while her husband succumbed to apoplexy induced by shock. Reutter was forty-six and his wife fifty-six years old.

NEW YORK POLICEMAN SHOT.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Jan., 27—John Newton, a policeman, was shot probably fatally, this morning, on Pearl Street by Louis Champs, an Italian upholsterer. Champs was fleeing from another policeman who wanted him as a suspected burglar. Newton saw Champs coming, so he waited in a pawnshop. As Champs was passing Newton jumped and brought his club down on Champ's head, but not before Champs had fired his revolver. The bullet entered Newton's lungs. He was taken to a hospital Champs is also suffering from a nasty scalp wound from the club, but is not dangerously hurt. Newton is so severely wounded that he has but small chances of recovery.

SEVEN YEARS FOR FORGER SNURE

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27—Louis J. Snure, who forged checks for $20,000 on his employers, Mandel, Pursch & Weiner, and whose wife is dying of consumption, was to-day sentenced to Sing Sing prison for seven years.

Biliousness

... torpid liver, which prevents digestion and permits food to ferment and putrify in the bowels. Then follow dizziness, headache, insomnia, nervousness, and, if not relieved, bilious fever or blood poisoning. Hood's Pills stimulate the stomach, rouse the liver, cure headache, dizziness, constipation, etc. 25 cents. Sold by all druggists. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Baby's Face Solid Sore

Entire Head a Solid Scab. Had to Wear a Tar Cap. Doctors and All Other Remedies Fail.

CURED BY CUTICURA.

My little nephew, John Staunton, was afflicted for two years with the worst sores I ever saw all over his body and face and head. His head and face at times were a solid scab. John was a pitiable sight, and he must have suffered dreadfully. His father used all the remedies that he heard of, and doctored with all the doctors. Everything was done for him. He wore a tar cap, also, which did no good, but the little boy got no relief until he used the CUTICURA (ointment) and CUTICURA SOAP. Now he is a clean, healthy child.
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INSTANT RELIEF AND SPEEDY CURE TREATMENT.—A warm bath with CUTICURA SOAP and a single anointing with CUTICURA instantly relieve and speedily cure the most torturing and disfiguring humors of the skin, scalp, and blood, with loss of hair, when all else fails.

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SAVE YOUR HAIR by warm Shampoos with CUTICURA SOAP.

VIENNA'S CENSORS.

Music Calculated to Excite the Passions, So It Is Now Under the Ban.

In Austria there is a press as well as a literary censorship, but it is more particularly to the glaring anomalies of the literary censorship that I refer, says a writer in the London Post.

German writers consider the prohibition of the Vienna censor as a kind of letter of recommendation, if not as a certain sign of immortality. The censor, in fact, has never prohibited a book which has not some striking literary merit.

The recent strictures of the censor, his prohibitory aggressiveness in almost every different department of literary and artistic life, have irritated the public mind beyond endurance.

The censor seems to have started from the standpoint that far too little is confiscated. All kinds of new interpretations of the poets have been found, and to-day poetry is the most confiscable commodity in Austria. Next to it comes the printer's art. Sculpture has fallen an easy prey, and now it is the turn of music. The censor reasons as follows:

"Melodies in themselves are in no way illegal. It is, however, otherwise with the time or rhythm. It is possible to excite a body of people by joining in or even merely hearing a song having a rhythm corresponding to the prevailing feeling. Much, too, depends on the amount of emphasis imparted to the song. When thousands sing a popular air the effect is quite otherwise than when it is sung by one person. Music is further calculated to excite the passions, and therefore is capable of taking an immoral character."

He Countermanded His Order.

Fritz Schnitzler, a thrifty grocer on the West side, discovered that he was out of dried herring. Walking back to the desk, he instructed the office girl to order some.

"Why, Mr. Schnitzler, we have plenty of herring," and she pointed out the box, which had been misplaced.

"Vell, Annie," said Fritz, "pud a posdscripd to dat letter und tell dem not to send dose herring."

The Ravages of Grip.

That modern scourge, the Grip, poisons the air with its fatal germs, so that no home is safe from its ravages, but multitudes have found a sure protection against this dangerous malady in Dr. King's New Discovery. When you feel a soreness in your bones and muscles, have chills and fever, with sore throat, pain in the back of the head, catarrhal symptoms and a stubborn cough you may know you have the Grip, and you need Dr. King's New Discovery. It will promptly cure the worst cough, heal the inflamed membranes, kill the disease germs and prevent the dreaded after effects of the malady. Price 50 cents and $1. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at J. J. Chambers's drug store.

AUCTION.

The subscriber administratrix of the estate of William Tuthill, will sell at auction, on farm known as the Conner farm, ¾ of a mile west from Howells Depot on SATURDAY, JAN 28TH, at 10:30 a. m. sharp the following property, viz: —26 cows, new milkers and springers, 1 two year-old heifer, 3 yearlings, 1 bull, the above cows are young and raised on farm; team of horses, good for all kinds of work. 65 tons of upland hay, 1½ ton of rye straw hand threshed, 2 horse lumber wagon, 3-spring wagon, 2 horse sleigh, 1-horse sleigh, Wooster mowing machine, Wood mowing machine, 2 wheel hay rakes, Syracuse chilled plow, corn plow, cultivator, three harrow, spring tooth harrow, corn sheller, grain cradle, one boat, patent road scraper, churning machine, straw cutter, blacksmith's vise, stone puller, 40 milk cans, pails strainers, pair heavy horse blankets, set double harness, 400 bundles corn stalks, lot of turnips, forks, shovels, crowbars, hay shelvings, road cart, 3 peacocks, very fine birds, 7 hives of bees, 40 fowls, and other goods not enumerated.

Terms—A credit of six months on accounts of $10 and over, on approved bank notes, interest after three months; under $10 cash.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Jan 16th, 1899.

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—Groceries and meats cheap at Dugdale's.
—Beef steak 14c a pound at Greening's.
—Clearance sale at Tompkins', beginning tomorrow.
—Assessment collector's notice.
—Millinery cheap at Mrs. Buss's.
—Note the bright light at Chas. H. Brink's.
—Rush's Egg Producer at J. Erskine Mills'.
—Health restored by Dr. Miles' Nervine.
—Calendars given with Fairy Soap.
—Constipation cured by Cascarets.
—For backache, Doan's Pills.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.

—"The Royal Box," to-night.

—Lancelot Lodge works the third degree, to-night.

—Recorder Barnes, after several delays, to-day, re-opened his law office.

—Edward Hall was badly injured in a runaway accident at Sparrowbush, Thursday.

—Hot drinks, beef tea, clam bouillon, tomato bouillon, chocolate, lemon and coffee, at Laskaris, 34 North street. tf

Special butter sale, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 27th and 28th, only 20c. per lb., 2c. below our regular price.

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—Mr. Bedell introduced in the Assembly, Thursday, the D. and H. Canal Company's bill permitting it to abandon its canal.

—No better attraction will be seen at the Casino, this season, than Charles Coghlan's Company in "The Royal Box," to-night.

—Popular prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents, will prevail at the Casino, next week, during the engagement of the Tommy Shearer company.

—The hop at L. V. Bauer's at Phillipsburgh, to-night, is a private dance given by a party that has leased the ball room for the evening.

—Charles Coleman has again taken the Columbus Hotel, on Roberts street, and will give an opening with an oyster supper, at an early date.

—The estate of the late Eugene A. Brewster, of Newburgh, is said to amount to $400,000. He certainly found the practice of law profitable.

—"Only a Farmer's Daughter" will be the play with which the Tommy Shearer company will open their week's engagement at the Casino, Monday night.

—A concert will be given at the North Street Congregational Church for the benefit of the Sunday School, Tuesday evening, Jan. 31st. Admission twenty cents.

—The Tommy Shearer company which will appear at the Casino, next week, is playing in Port Jervis, this week, and is well spoken of by the papers of that village.

—Ira D. Sankey, the noted singer has promised to fill an engagement in Warwick, next summer, in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. He will probably be there June 18th.

—The Ellenville *Journal* publishes a long, carefully prepared and very appreciative article on the production of the "Chimes of Normandie" by the Middletown company, Tuesday night.

—James Dutton, of the Duttonville mills, was sawing wood with a circular saw, Wednesday, when the saw burst and a large piece flew by his head and embedded itself in a post ten feet behind him.

—Don't forget that to-night, Chas. Coghlan will present, at the Casino, his famous play, "The Royal Box." The play will be presented here with the same company and scenic effects that made the long run of 200 nights so successful at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, New York city.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Madeline Quaid is visiting in town.

—Erie Agent Wright is confined to his bed with grip.

—Assistant District Attorney A. H. F. Seegar, of Newburgh, was in town, Thursday.

—The Misses Howland went to Warwick, to-day, to fill a concert engagement there, to-night.

—Mrs. A. P. DuBois and Mrs. C. B. N. Hull were in Middletown, Tuesday.—*Livingston Manor Ensign.*

—Mrs. Theo. W. Dailey, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Fuller, in New York city, for the past few weeks, returned to her home in this city, to-day.

—Thomas Dougherty, of New York city, who has been visiting his friend, Miss Katherine Driscoll, on Franklin street, returned home, this morning.

—City Clerk Taylor, who has been a very busy man for several weeks past, was taken quite ill in his office, Thursday afternoon, and went to his home. To-day he is very ill of pleurisy.

Hand Caught in a Printing Press.

Leslie McArthur, employed in Prior's printing office, had his right hand caught in a press, Thursday evening. The tip of his thumb was cut off and his forefinger was badly crushed. Dr. Hulett dressed his wounds.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—Two Pennsylvania coroners have held inquests into the cause of the wreck of Erie train 8 at Great Bend, Saturday, and the verdict in both cases has been that the accident was unavoidable and that no one was to blame.

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ARRESTED FOR CHECK FORGERY

Chester Barnhart, of Youngsville, Arrested in This City—The Story of His Wrong-Doing.

Chester Barnhart, of Youngsville, Sullivan county, was arrested in this city, Thursday afternoon, just after he joined his family on O. and W. No. 2, at the Wickham avenue station. He was taken to Livingston Manor, this morning, where he will be arraigned on a charge of forging and passing two checks to the amount of $49.50, one for $28.75 on S. Werbalowsky, and the other for $10.75 on Landlord Dayton, of the Arlington Hotel.

The authorities here were notified by Mr. Thornton, from Liberty, by telephone, Thursday morning, that Barnhart was believed to be here. He described the man as a loud-mouthed and wearing a cap, and on this description the authorities began their hunt. When No. 2 arrived at Wickham avenue, Mr. Thornton was on board, and he said that Barnhart's wife and two children were aboard. Just as the train was about to start Barnhart came out of the toilet room and joined his family on the train. Officer Freer followed and placed him under arrest.

While in the court room Barnhart asked a reporter if he was a lawyer, and said to him he intended to "fight the thing through." He also said that he was going to New York to accept a position on the police force.

This morning an officer arrived with Mr. Thornton, and the prisoner was taken to Livingston Manor on No. 1.

FIRE COMPANY POLITICS.

Many Slates Being Made by Members of Monhagens.

The fire company elections will soon be held, and a first class competition is promised for the foremanship of Monhagen Hose Company. K W Staib is a candidate for re-election, and he has a strong line of backers. Homer Ritter however, has named Second Assistant John H. Burch for the place. One slate places Corporal A. C. N. Thompson up for First Assistant, in the place of D. S. Lounsbury, who has declined a renomination, with James P. Tighe for Second Assistant.

Captain McIntyre will be elected President and George Wengenroth Secretary. W. F. Royce's friends will endeavor to make him Vice President in the place of Isaac Lipleld.

Another slate for active officers is: Foreman, F. H. Scudder; First Assistant, William Lutes; Second Assistant, Thos. Coyne.

ENTERTAINED HIS CLASS.

Geo. H. Decker's Dinner to Members of His Class for Bible Study.

George H. Decker entertained, Thursday night, the members of his bible class in the First Congregational Sunday School. The guests were twelve in number and they greatly enjoyed the good cheer at Mr. Decker's hospitable board and the social hours that followed.

Mr. Decker has been teacher of the First Congregational bible class since 1866. He was a stranger in Middletown then and was invited by Mrs. Crane, wife of Rev. Jonathan Crane, pastor of the Congregational Church, to attend the Sunday School. He accepted the invitation, was assigned a class and from that time to the present has been its teacher, and under his instruction the class has always been large and has manifested a keen and earnest interest in bible study.

A PLEASANT EVENING.

Spent by First Presbyterian Endeavorers at Mrs. Hulse's.

One of the pleasant socials given by the Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Presbyterian Church was held at the home of Mrs. W. T. Hulse, 113 West Main street, Thursday evening. An excellent programme was rendered, consisting of a piano solo by Mrs. F. M. Barnes; a reading, "Seein' Things at Night," by Mrs. L. T. Judson; solo, H. L. Adams; reading, original story, Miss Gertrude A. Hulse; trio, Misses Lena Jordan, Mabel Sweezy, Irene Horton; reading, Harold B. Woodward.

A game entitled "A Floral Tale of Love" was played and refreshments were served.

ARTHUR D CASE'S DEATH.

Coroner's Jury Rendered a Verdict That It Was Accidental.

The inquest into the death of Arthur D. Case was held at Diffily's Hotel, Greycourt, Thursday afternoon, by Coroner Decker. Conductor Nicholas Walsh and Yardmaster Roger Hayes, who saw the fatal accident, described it in detail, the latter's recital being intensely dramatic. Dr. C. P. Smith testified to the result of an examination made of the body, and then the jury found a verdict of accidental death and exonerated the railroad.

Entertained His Friends.

Chas. L. Purdy, a member of the Harmonica Club, entertained about thirty of his friends, Thursday night. The company was entertained by selections from the Harmonica Club. Refreshments were served and dancing was kept up until an early hour this morning.

Bachelors' Junior Hop.

The Bachelors' Social Club will devote to-night's hop to the "Juniors," and the indications are that there will be a large attendance.

It is said that the soldiers who have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla stood the long marches in Cuba much better than the others.

OBITUARY.

Gillion D. Godfrey.

From Our Bloomingburgh Correspondent.

Gillion D. Godfrey died at his home near Bloomingburgh, Wednesday night of pneumonia, aged seventy-nine years. He is survived by three children, Lydia, wife of G. W. Beakes, of New York; Sadie, wife of Frank Miller, at home, and David, of Middletown.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon, at 1:30, from the house. Interment in Bloomingburgh Cemetery.

Levi S. Chase.

Levi S. Chase, who died at Walton, Friday, from cancer, was one of that village's best known citizens. He was appointed postmaster by President Cleveland in 1894 and held the office until October last. He was three times the Democratic candidate for Sheriff of Delaware county and once came within a few votes of an election. He was chief of police of Walton for several times. He had a keen sense of humor and was widely known as a joke.

Ebenezer B. Ivory.

Special to the Daily Argus.

Ebenezer Bennett Ivory died of heart failure, at 9 o'clock this morning, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. John H. Hewitt, in Montgomery, aged seventy-two years, six months and eighteen days.

He is survived by three children, James H., of Middletown; Annie, wife of J. H. Hewitt, of Montgomery, and George M., of Goshen. Also by two sisters, Sarah B. McKee, of Illinois, and Mrs. M. A. Weller, of Middletown, and by two brothers, Increase, of Bloomingburgh, and Case, of Wurtsboro.

Funeral Sunday, at 1:30 p. m., from Mr. Hewitt's residence.

Rev. Henry Miller, D. D.

Dr. Henry Miller, pastor of the Fourth Reformed Church, Albany, died at the parsonage, this morning. He is survived by his widow, a son in Chicago, two daughters and a son at home.

Dr. Miller was known to many of our citizens by reason of his visits here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harding. He was in charge of the church at Callicoon and a member of the Classis of Orange from 1880 to 1887. A refined and cultured gentleman he was by temperament fitted to perform his chosen work, and had given his lifetime to it. He achieved success where less ardent and inspired souls would have faltered. The Fourth Reformed Church edifice is the monument of his latest effort. By educational attainment he was most thoroughly prepared for his life work. He received his Doctorate in Philosophy at the University of Leipsig, and was himself an authority in various branches of theological and literary thought. Eloquent, almost to inspiration, he labored to the last. A well beloved Christian gentleman, he died in the service of Him he loved and prized.

Lawrence T. Hultslander.

From a Winterton Correspondent.

Lawrence T. Hultslander died at his late residence, near Bloomingburgh, Jan. 18th, at 7 o'clock a. m., aged about seventy-three years. He had been up to the time of his death in fairly good health, having attended to his usual vocation the day before.

Mr. Hultslander was born at Bullville, Orange county, March 17th, 1826, and was a son of Levi and Phebe Hultslander. In 1869 he was married to Amelia Harding, daughter of Henry Harding, deceased, and located near the village of Bloomingburgh, on the place where he died. He was an officer in the Reformed Church of Bloomingburgh for a number of years.

Deceased is survived by his wife, two sisters and two brothers: Nancy, wife of Joseph Decker, deceased, and Phebe, wife of Andrew Miller, both of Middletown, and Benjamin, of Monticello, and Morris, of Searsville. Three brothers, Daniel, John and Samuel died some years ago, the latter in February, 1894.

Mr. Hultslander was during his whole life a very industrious man, careful and honest in his dealings, a kind husband and a helpful neighbor, and one whose memory will be cherished by all who knew him.

Bogie Man's Captive Discharged.

William Barnes, the lad who was arrested by Truant Officer Penney, Thursday afternoon, was given a hearing before Justice Wiggins, in the absence of Recorder Barnes. The boy's father, who appeared for him, claimed that the lad was only out of school because of illness, and on this ground the boy was discharged.

Funeral of a Railroad's Victim.

The funeral of Arthur D. Case, the Erie brakeman who was killed at Greycourt, Wednesday afternoon, will be held from his parents' home at Howells, Sunday afternoon at 1:30 and in the church in that village at 2 o'clock.

Turf and Horse Notes.

—Jacob Ruppert, who has been breeding trotting horses on an extensive scale at his Hudson River stock farm at Poughkeepsie, has decided to give up the business and will soon offer his entire stock for sale.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Pusher Station Robbed by Tramp Burglars—The Minstrels—Meeting of Road Improvement Association — George Riddle's Reading—Vocal Society Notes

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Tramps burglarized the pusher station, last night, while the pusher was helping a train up the grade. They secured $9 belonging to Fireman J. H. Crans, and also took a number of other articles.

—The San Francisco Minstrels gave a good show at Music Hall, last night. It was well attended.

—The Orange County Horse and Road Improvement Association met in this village, this morning. The attendance was not large and an adjournment was taken until Feb. 11th.

—Martin Samuels, of Newburgh, is visiting his relatives in this village.

—George Riddle will appear, Jan. 30th, at Music Hall, under the auspices of the Goshen Vocal Society. Tickets at C. E. Millspaugh's.

—The Vocal Society will rehearse, tonight, at the Presbyterian Chapel.

—Rev. R. B. Clark is organizing a male chorus to sing at Sunday evening's church services. They meet for rehearsal, Friday, after the Vocal Society.

—Dr. R. L. McGeoch is expected to return to his home in this village within a short time.

STOLEN RIG RECOVERED.

A Port Jervis Liveryman Gets Back Part of His Stolen Property.

J. W. Evans, a Port Jervis liveryman, who had a horse and carriage stolen four weeks ago by the lame horse thief, who got away with a rig from DeKay's stable in this city, has, by the help of the Newark, N. J., police, recovered his horse and wagon, which had been sold at auction at a sale stable in that city. It was not possible to trace the harness, robes, blanket and whip. The rig was worth $150, but the horse sold for $15, the wagon for $11, the robes and blankets for $8 and the harness for $3.

FIRE POLICE ELECTION.

New Officers Chosen—Two Resignation from the Force.

The fire police held their annual election Thursday night, resulting as follows:

Captain—J. J Wood.
Sergeant—Adam Heckroth.
Roundsman—John Walsh.
Sect. and Treas.—E. A. Lorentz.

Capt. McIntyre declined re-election as Captain.

J. J. Chambers and David Crosby resigned from the force.

Officers of German Lutheran Church's Ladies' Aid Society.

The ladies of the German Lutheran Church have formed an aid society, and the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. W. C. F. Bastian.
Vice President—Mrs. Chris. Schwartz.
Sec.—Mrs. Adam Heckroth.
Treas.—Mrs. August Pfaff.
Collector—Mrs. A. Gottwald.

Has Filed a Bankruptcy Petition.

Howard V. Ellsworth, of this city, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, giving his liabilities at $25,208 and his assets at $266 in real estate. His indebtedness was contracted a number of years ago in unsuccessful business ventures at Arena.

Fishing for Pickerel at Fallsburgh.

J. Frank Tuthill caught four nice pickerel at the Summit ice pond, Thursday afternoon, and, to-day, with Samuel Shorter and C. E. Caufield, he is fishing at Conkling's pond, Fallsburgh.

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AN ARRAY OF FIGURES.

One sailor in 256 is lost at sea.

The population of London increases by about 100,000 a year.

The modern high-grade locomotive consists of 6,003 pieces.

Over 1,000 persons die of delirium tremens in this country ever year.

The annual production of the European vineyards is 2,652,300,000 gallons.

In the cities of Germany only seven or eight of every 100 persons use bicycles.

In Brazil there are said to be 300 languages and dialects spoken by the Indians.

Nearly a million passengers daily use the railways connecting London with suburbs.

Switzerland annually exports condensed milk valued at over £500,000, nearly all of which is sent to Great Britain.

Some one has calculated that a cigarette smoker sends into the air about 4,000,000,000 particles of dust at every puff.

According to the Revue de Statisique the perfume distilleries of the Mediterranean coast of France use up annually about 2,000,000 kilograms of roses, 2,500,000 of orange blossoms, 200,000 of jasmine, 200,000 of violets, etc.

The currency of Japan was estimated last June at about $186,000,000. Of this $40,000,000 was in coin, $96,000,000 the Bank of Japan notes, and the rest government paper money and national bank notes. All notes issued by the bank are now convertible into gold.

ARMIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

There is a chiropodist attached to every corps in the German army.

Nine per cent. of the soldiers actually engaged in war are killed on the field of battle.

The most spacious barracks in the world are those at Warsaw, which accommodate 38,000 soldiers.

Recognizing the good results that accrue from soldiers singing when on the march, the Belgian minister for war has just ordered 25,000 books of patriotic and military songs as an experiment. These will be distributed to the men in infantry regiments.

Russia possesses the largest standing army on earth. Every year some 280,000 conscripts join the Russian forces, which in time of peace number 1,000,000 men. On a war footing this rises to 2,500,000, and calling out the reserves would increase it to 6,947,000 well-trained soldiers. Should necessity arise, the militia would be called out, bringing the czar's forces up to 9,000,000 men.

The length of the stride in the various European armies is as follows: In the German army it is 31½ inches, with a cadence of 112 steps per minute; in the Austrian army, 29½ inches, with a cadence of from 115 to 130 per minute; in the Italian army, 29½ inches, with a cadence of 120 per minute; in the French army, 29½ inches with a cadence of 115 per minute; in the British army, 30 inches, with a cadence of 116 per minute

SEEN AT THE JEWELER'S.

Silver puff boxes are larger than formerly.

Silver steins and flagons are shown in miniature.

The tendency in solitaire diamond rings is toward very plain settings.

Smoking sets of silver on carved oak tables are shown. By pressing a button a music box attachment is set in motion.

Among useful presents are desk stands of solid brass or silver, with cut glass bottles. A pen holder is included in the set.

Silver furniture and other household effects in miniature continue popular forms of bric-a-brac. Some novelties in the line are of Dutch origin.

Opera glasses with ivory sides ornamented with miniature paintings are in demand. The handle is sometimes of fine porcelain delicately painted.

A pretty umbrella handle, detachable and to be used as well on a cane, is in lively demand. The handle is generally ivory or ebony decorated with silver.

Briar root pipes decorated with silver and silver pipes ornamented with gold are among the favorites for presents to smokers. The fashionable briar pipe has an inner bowl of silver, easily cleaned.—Jeweler's Weekly.

POINTS AND POINTERS.

It's an ill wind that blows over Chicago.

Has a bald-headed man had a falling-out with his hair?

A woman who loses her speech must suffer martyrdom.

A man can shoe a horse, but it takes a woman to "shoo" hens.

Is the bark of the pepper plant worse than its bite.

The chap with the toothache feels mean enough, though he has a "swelled head."

England doesn't have to fight for our fair American brides, but she has to "put up her dukes."

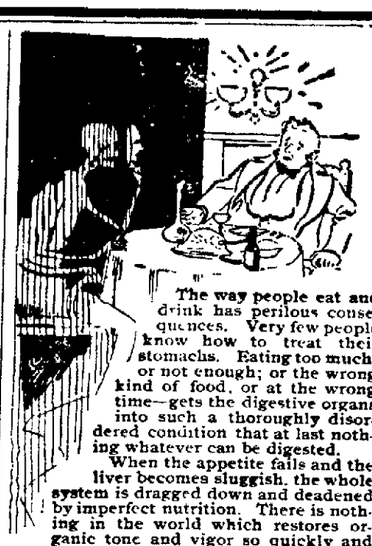
FACTS OF PASSING INTEREST.

Only one man in 203 is over six feet in height.

Red-haired people are not so apt to become bald as those who possess hair of a different hue.

It is estimated by Wisconsin lumbermen that this winter's cut will exceed former years by anywhere from 100,000 000 to 150,000,000 feet.

Nuremberg eggs was what certain watches were nicknamed. These timepieces were made in Nuremberg and were oval and flat. They had but one hand, which marked the hours and the quarters.



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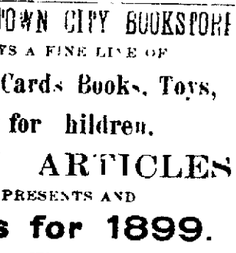
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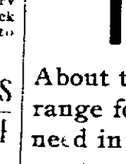
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TO PENSION CONFEDERATES.

Senator Butler Creates a Sensation by His Remarks.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—As the senate seemingly was about to conclude consideration of the pension bill late yesterday afternoon Mr. Butler (Pop., N. C.) offered his amendment, announced some time ago, providing for the pensioning of ex-Confederate soldiers. Upon this he took the floor and delivered a speech which, as he proceeded, developed into a most unexpected utterance.

While his colleagues on both sides of the chamber listened with interest, Mr. Butler defended the position taken by the south during the great civil conflict of a third of a century ago. He declared that the south was right and that history would so record, and that every shot fired by a southern soldier was fired in defense of the rights of his state conferred by the constitution, in self defense and in defense of his home and fireside. At the conclusion of his speech Mr. Butler withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Bate (Dem., Tenn.), himself a distinguished Confederate officer, declared that while the south believed it was right the occasion was not opportune for the proposition which Mr. Butler had made and that the southern soldiers as a body did not desire pensions from the general government, and he expressed his satisfaction that Mr. Butler had withdrawn his amendment.

Earlier in the session Mr. Mallory (Dem., Fla.) delivered a constitutional argument in support of the Vest anti-expansion resolution.

Army Reorganization In House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The third day of the debate upon the bill for the reorganization and increase of the regular army passed without notable incidents. Its feature was an hour's speech by Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio, whose utterances, rightly or wrongly, are frequently supposed to reflect the views of the president. Mr. Grosvenor declared most emphatically that the present situation in the Philippines was due to the open opposition in this country to the ratification of the peace treaty. He announced that the future of the islands was a matter for congress to decide and that for the president to announce a policy would be for him to usurp the authority of congress. The friends of the bill continue to express great confidence in its passage, but they admit that some important modifications may be made.

Immense Pig Iron Output.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27.—The bulletin of the American Iron and Steel association says the total production of pig iron in 1898 was 11,732,934 gross tons, an increase of 2,121,254 over the production of 1897. The production in the second half of the year exceeded that of the first half by 34,528 tons. The production of bessemer pig iron in 1898 was 7,337,384 tons, an increase over 1897 of 1,541,800 tons. The production of basic pig iron was 785,444 tons, against 556,391 tons in 1897.

National Manufacturers Adjourn.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 27.—The fourth annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers adjourned last night to meet next January in Boston. This has been the largest and most important annual meeting in the history of the association. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Theodore C. Search, Philadelphia; secretary, F. P. Wilson, Cincinnati; treasurer, Charles A. Schieren, New York.

Situation Worse at Colon.

COLON, Colombia, Jan. 27.—Matters in connection with the strike of dockmen and railway employees here and at Panama are growing worse rather than better. The steamer Alliance, which arrived here last Tuesday, is lying idle, and all business is paralyzed. There have been no freight trains from Panama.

Burned to Death.

BINGHAMTON N. Y., Jan 27.—By the accidental upsetting and explosion of a lamp at his home yesterday Anson W. Tiffany, an expert machinist in the employ of the Bundy Manufacturing company, was frightfully burned about the body and face, his injuries resulting in death several hours later.

Quay's Forces Firm.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 27.—The eighth joint ballot in the senatorial contest yesterday was without result, the relative strength of the candidates being pretty nearly maintained. The total vote was 232, 117 being necessary to an election. Quay remains 14 short of the requisite majority.

Pennsylvania Thanks Miss Gould.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 27.—Governor Stone has approved the concurrent resolutions tendering the thanks of the legislature to Miss Helen Gould for her patriotic services during the Spanish-American war and her care and attention to the Pennsylvania soldiers.

Body Found In the Woods.

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Jan. 27.—James Wierman, aged 45 years, was found dead yesterday in the woods near Wurtsboro. A large cut was found in the forehead, and it is supposed he had fallen on the ice. He was employed in cutting wood near Wurtsboro.

Biggest Day's Sales Yet.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Sales of stocks on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday were even heavier than on Monday last, the total being 1,567,644 shares, against 1,538,460 on Monday. In addition about $7,000,000 par value of railway bonds were sold.

Killed by a Peanut.

TRENTON, Jan. 27.—Herbert Maul died at St. Francis' hospital yesterday. While eating peanuts a whole one lodged at the entrance to his stomach. An operation was performed, but it did not save his life.

Diamond Found In Rice Pudding.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 27.—John Hugo, a grocer, lost a valuable diamond about five weeks ago. Yesterday one of his customers, while at dinner, noticed a jewel sparkling in a rice pudding. It was recalled that five pounds of rice had been ordered from Hugo by this customer over a month ago. The diamond was returned to the grocer.

Large Railroad Earnings.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27. — The statement of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway company for December shows gross receipts $2,006,794, an increase of $59,209 compared with December, 1897.

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How the Illinois Humane Society Performs Its Mission.

Its Officers Protect Not Only Homeless and Abused Children, But Take Care of Dumb Creatures as Well.

[Special Chicago Letter.]

RESCUING children from unnatural parents, putting horses out of their misery, protecting jack rabbits from the cruelty of careless sportsmen, befriending homeless dogs, and even mending the broken legs of cats—these are a few of the countless acts of goodness performed by the Illinois Humane society. Nothing is too great, nothing is too small for its brave officers to attempt. The most trivial complaint is investigated, the most groundless rumor is traced to its source. For 29 years this society has been endeavoring to ameliorate the sufferings of the human and the brute kind. Without hope of glory or of gain it has been steadfast in its purpose. Sometimes it has been without funds, but never without courage. To most people it is a name only. They do not realize the scope of its work; they do not know the good that it accomplishes, not alone in actual deeds, but as a preventative of cruelty. The fear of prosecution, just and unrelenting, saves many a half-starved child, many a poor dumb brute from the infliction of untold misery. The names of John G. Shortall and his faithful officers strike terror into the hearts of the drivers of children and of beasts.

The methods of the society are systematic and regular. Each mail brings in complaints. Of necessity the officers must rely upon others for their information, and every investigation must be very carefully made. Experience has taught them that as a rule domestic troubles should be avoided. Women flood the society with complaints against their husbands, but 99 times out of 100, if an arrest is made, relent, pay the fine out of their own hard earnings and go home joyfully with the forgiven one.

When word is received that a horse is maimed or suffering from any cause



HUMANE AGENT ARRESTING A CRUEL DRIVER.

the ambulance is brought into use. The society has never yet had enough money to own its own horses, and when an animal is to be removed the owner or responsible person is called upon to supply this deficiency if he can. Otherwise the horses are furnished by the city. The only cost attached to taking a horse to its stable is a small fee for the services of the driver of the ambulance. There are two of these ambulances. One was given to the society 16 years ago by Ferd W. Peck. The other, which is modern and finely equipped, was purchased by the society about a year ago. When a horse reaches the stable the services of a veterinery surgeon are employed and remedies are applied unless the case is hopeless. In the latter event the animal is shot.

Frowzy dogs and bedraggled cats are received with open arms. The office at 560 Wabash avenue is a veritable hospital for the canine with brass collar and long pedigree; "the mongrel, puppy, whelp and hound, and cur of low degree;" the Angora feline with her certificate of noble ancestry, and the all-around back-yard prowler without friends or family. All are welcome, and without distinction of race, sex, or previous conditions of servitude. It is a case of first come first served. The couch of "Limpy-Lame-Dog," the tramp, is as soft as the bed of "Fido," the pampered pet. So with "Pussy" and the rest of them.

There is sometimes a ludicrous side that peeps through the sombreness of the work of caring for these poor disabled creatures. Just the other day a woman appeared with a little weazened pug in her arms.

"It is best that he should die," said she, mournfully. "But, oh, I cannot have him shot! Give him these pills and let him calmly sleep his little life away. Oh, promise me you'll do this!"

Then there is another woman whose sole aim in life seems to be to chase up decrepit and enfeebled cats. She scours the highways and the byways and her efforts are crowned with most remarkable success. Scarcely a day passes that she does not send to the room of the society a choice collection of cats in all stages of mental and physical disorder. These cats, she writes, must be killed, but her instructions are explicit to the effect that they must not be shot. The only death that she will allow is the use of chloroform. The officers are silent, but her instructions, of course, cannot be obeyed.

One of the great annoyances with which the society has to contend is the wanton cruelty toward birds on the part of the small boy.

"If the birds were killed outright it wouldn't be so bad," said John C. Forbes, assistant secretary of the society, "but they are wounded and disabled by slingshots and made captives and abused. But the greatest vigilance is exercised to prevent offenses of this kind and every effort is made to hunt up the guilty persons. Of course it would be impossible for the officers to do all this work unaided. They have the best assistance that can be obtained. Seventy-five thousand children have signed the pledge of the Band of Mercy. They have solemnly vowed to be not only kind, gentle and humane themselves to all living creatures, but they have also taken it upon themselves to encourage the spirit in others, and have promised to report all cases that should be the subject for action on the part of the Humane society."

But the greatest number of complaints sent in is in regard to incorrigible and runaway boys. Sometimes the parents are at fault, and in that event they are prosecuted, but in the majority of cases it is the fault of the boys themselves. After a boy has been arrested for incorrigibility a petition is sent to the county court and an endeavor is made to place him in some institution. This is not always an easy matter to bring about, owing to the fact that these institutions are always overcrowded and all manner of excuses are made to prevent the acceptance of additional inmates. A case in point is that of a boy who was recently taken to the society by his mother, who is too poor to support him. The child is a cripple and weak mentally. The society first took him to the home for feeble-minded youths, but he was denied admission there on the ground that he was a cripple and should be provided for at the home for crippled children. At the latter institution the officers said he belonged to the place where he had been refused admission, and the doors were closed against him. The result is that the boy is still with his mother, who is struggling to give him a scanty existence.

Another problem that demands attention is the employment of young children on the stage. In New York city the practice is simply prohibited, and this fact alone floods Chicago with youthful talent. Here the law is not so stringent, and a great many things are taken into consideration—first, the moral character of the place of amusement at which they appear; then the physical strain on the children, and, lastly, the financial condition of the parents. The Humane society has recently prohibited several children from appearing on the stage. The Semon twins, boys of eight years who appeared as boxers at a downtown theater and whose parents were in comfortable circumstances, were among this number. Another case of intervention was that of a tiny Japanese girl whose balancing act was rendered dangerous owing to the old age and therefore the unsteadiness of the nerves of the father, who was supposed to catch her in the event of accident.

Probably the work of the society that is most in evidence is the erection of the drinking fountains at important points in various parts of the city. There are 43 of these fountains, and three more will be constructed in the spring, all at the expense of the society. The value of these public drinking places during the heated term is inestimable.

I have endeavored to show briefly the duties of the Illinois Humane society. Since the year of its charter, 1869, it has proceeded uncomplainingly with its self-imposed tasks. The work of its officers is nearly all given without charge. There are only a few cases, when the entire time of the officers is given, that small salaries are paid. The president, John G. Shortall, has labored long and earnestly for the society without compensation. The board of directors is composed of such representative men as Ferd W. Peck, Henry N. Hart, Alson E. Clark, Philip D. Armour, Marshall Field, Franklin MacVeagh and Luther Laflin Mills. Although a state institution, no appropriation is made for the maintenance of the organization. It is supported entirely by subscriptions. The scope of its labors may be shown by the facts that last year 4,183 complaints were investigated, 862 children rescued, 350 children placed in charitable institutions, 736 horses rescued, 276 horses laid up from work, 153 animals removed by ambulance, 146 disabled animals shot, 127 persons prosecuted for cruelty to animals and 40 persons prosecuted for cruelty to children.

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Weehawken	4 00	8 10	3 30	6 30		
Cornwall	6 10	9 45	5 00	7 50		
Firthcliffe	6 28	9 53	5 08			
Orr's Mills	6 30	9 55	5 10			
Little Brit'n	6 40	f10 05	5 15			
Burnside	6 46	f10 16	5 24			
Campb'll H.	7 07	10 28	5 40	8 19		
Stony Ford	7 15	f10 37	5 44			
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Winterton	9 10	f11 09	6 31			
Bloom'gb'gt	9 21	11 18	6 36			
Wurtsboro	9 36	11 19	6 40			
Summitville	9 55	11 30	6 50			
Ellenville ar	10 05	11 50	7 05			
Fallsburgh	10 32	12 05	7 20			
Hurleyville	10 48	12 12	7 27			
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Liberty	11 30	12 29	7 44	9 58		
Parksville	11 45	12 40	7 45			
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Cadosia	1 38	2 00	P M	10 50	A M	
Walton	2 10	2 45		11 22	8 05	
Maywood		3 14			8 38	
Sidney		3 40		12 15	9 02	41
N'rwich ar		4 36		12 55	9 50	A M
N'rwich lv		4 30		1 08	9 54	7 30
Castle		5 58		n2 10	A M	9 10
Oneida ar		5 57		3 12		9 15
Oneida lv		6 10		3 15		9 30
Fulton		7 30		n3 26		10 58
Oswego ar		8 00		3 45		11 30
	P M	P M		A M		A M

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 • New Y'rk Exp	12 • Milk	30 Local	14 Del-hi Ex	2 N Y Day Exp	42 Nor-wich Exp	8 Sul-liv'n Exp
	A M	P M	A M		A M	P M	A M
Oswego lv	11 20		8 23		[illegible] 45	2 55	
Oneida ar	12 52		[illegible]		6 46	5 [illegible]	
Oneida lv	12 56		[illegible]		[illegible]	5 [illegible]	
Castle			1 15 P M		[illegible]	6 27	
Norwich ar	2 09		6 00	6 45	10 37	7 15	
Norwich lv	2 14		P M	6 48	10 42	P M	
Sidney	3 05			7 10	11 40		
Maywood				7 58	11 57		
Walton	3 50	12 15		8 30	12 37		
Cadosia	4 21	1 30		p m	1 20		
Rockland		2 38			2 10		6 00
L'v'gst'n M'r	5 07	3 00			2 25		6 14
Parksville		3 16			2 37		6 25
Liberty	5 26	3 38			2 51		6 36
Ferndale		3 41			n2 55		6 41
Hurleyville		4 04			3 06		6 50
Fallsburgh		4 19			3 14		6 57
Centreville		4 40			n3 20		7 04
Mount'n D.		4 50			n3 25		7 10
Summitville	6 06	5 10			3 45		7 20
Wurtsboro		5 20			f3 52		7 33
Bloom'g'bgh		5 28			3 57		7 38
Winterton		5 34			n4 09		f7 43
M'town ar	6 33	5 55			4 15		8 00
M'town lv	6 43	6 20			f4 30		f8 10
M'town Main St.		6 22			4 32		8 12
Stony Ford		6 59			f4 46		f8 25
Campb'll H.		7 15			4 52		8 31
Burnside		7 22			f4 57		f8 34
Little Brit'n		7 35			f5 05		f8 48
Orr's Mills		8 06			f5 10		f8 53
Firthcliffe		8 10			f5 21		8 55
Cornwall	7 28	8 20			5 26		9 02
Weehawken	8 45	10 50			7 00		10 20
New York W. 42d St.	8 55	11 00			7 10		10 40
N. Y. Frkln St ar	9 15	11 30			7 35		10 55
	P M	p m			P M		A M

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers.

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

¶ Stop for meals.

Trains leave Cadosia 6 10 a. m., 2 05 p. m. Sunday only 4 30 p m for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., 4 15 p. m. Sunday only 8 30 a. m. for Cadosia.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 11 30, a. m., and 3 50, 6 50 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 10 50 a. m., and 3 10 and 5 40 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 30 and *11 00 a. m., and 4 45 p. m. Except Saturday 1 30 p. m. Sunday only 3 10 p m

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 8 10 a. m., 3 45 and 8 35 p. m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m., and 2 15 p. m. Except Saturday 12 37 p m

Additional trains leave Livingston Manor at 1 35 p. m., stopping at all stations to Walton, arriving at 6 20 p. m. Leave Walton at 12 45 p. m. arrive at Norwich 5 30 p. m.

Leave Walton 7 00 a m, stopping at all stations to Livingston Manor, arriving at 12.45 p m. Leave Norwich 6 55 a m, all stations to Walton, arriving at 11 15 a m

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10 00 a m, *3 45 and 7 40 p m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and *10 02 a. m., and 2 10 p m.

For further particulars see local card.

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NORTH

New York Ferries	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	p m
West 23d St.	8 10	......	3 50
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	8 30	......	4 10
Jersey City	8 46	......	4 25
Hackensack	9 14	......	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 [illegible]	......	5 02
Paterson	9 29	......	5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	2 50	6 30
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 06	6 40
Franklin	11 12	3 15	6 46
Hamburg	11 20	3 25	6 54
Deckertown	11 28	3 40	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	3 52	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 04	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 15	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 27	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 37	7 34
Middletown	12 12	4 50	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily ex Sun a m	a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	5 04
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	5 15
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 21
Westtown	6 58	7 43	5 27
Unionville	6 58	7 55	5 34
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 43
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 51
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	6 00
Franklin Junction	f7 27	......	......
Franklin	7 29	8 56	6 07
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	6 12
Two Bridges	7 51	9 27	6 28
Paterson City	9 03	......	7 45
Paterson (Broadway)	9 06	10 36	7 48
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	8 01
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 27
New York Ferries—			
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	9 58	11 23	8 39
West 23d street	10 15	11 46	9 20

f—Stop on signal.

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TIME TABLE ADOPTED DEC. 11, '98.

Eastern Time.	17	21	1	9	11	33	[illegible]	27	15	25	29	7	8	S. Spc 601	S. Spc 625	S. Spc 617
Leave	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
NEW YORK	* 4:00	† 7:45	* 9:00	† 9:15	†10:30	† 1:00	* 2:00	† 3:00	† 4:30	† 5:30	† 6:30	* 7:30	* 9:15	‡ 7:30	‡12:30	‡ 7:30
Paterson	4:40	8:36	....	9:57	11:15	1:47	....	3:40	5:10	6:09	7:25	....	....	8:21	1:14	8:28
Turners	....	[illegible]:54	....	10:49	12:22	3:00	....	....	5:57	7:25	8:40	9:00	10:58	9:42	2:27	9:45
Monroe	....	[illegible]	....	....	12:27	3:05	....	....	6:02	7:30	8:45	....	....	9:47	2:32	9:50
Greycourt	6:06	10:12	....	11:01	12:41	3:19	....	4:38	6:17	7:45	8:55	....	....	9:5[illegible]	2:44	10:01
Chester	....	1[illegible]	....	....	12:44	3:22	....	....	6:21	7:48	8:58	....	....	10:0[illegible]	2:47	10:04
Goshen	6:22	10:24	....	11:12	12:53	3:31	....	4:51	6:31	7:56	9:07	9:21	11:21	10:11	2:55	10:13
Middletown	6:47	10:41	b10 56	11:25	1:10	3:49	b4:16	5:06	6:49	† 8:12	9:21	9:34	11:39	10:28	3:11	10:29
Howells	7:02	10:49	....	....	1:18	3:57	....	....	6:58	....	† 9:29	....	....	10:34	3:20	†10:38
Otisville	7:21	10:59	....	....	1:27	4:06	....	....	7:07	....	† 9:38	....	....	10:45	3:29	†10:47
Port Jervis	7:55	†11:20	*11:30	†12:05	† 1:50	† 4:29	....	† 5:45	† 7:31	....	†10:00	*10:10	*12:23	‡11:10	‡ 3:52	‡11:11
East Time. Ar.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
CHICAGO. Cent. Time. Ar.	....	....	....	....	....	....	* 5:00 P. M.	....	....	....	....	....	* 7:35 A. M.	....	....	....

Eastern Time.	12	10	26	16	28	38	6	30	2	8	22	14	S. Spc 606	S. Spc 620	Sun 18
Arrive	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
NEW YORK	* 6:17	* 8:00	† 8:52	† 9:22	†10:37	†12:57	* 3:35	† 6:42	* 6:57	* 7:52	† 9:52	*12:52	‡11:07	‡ 7:52	....
Paterson	5:34	....	8:12	8:44	10:00	12:15	2:53	6:03	6:20	....	9:11	12:12	10:22	7:06	‡ 9:57
Turners	4:44	6:38	7:13	7:56	9:10	11:26	1:42	4:55	5:36	....	8:23	11:18	9:08	5:54	8:53
Monroe	....	....	7:06	7:49	9:01	....	1:34	4:45	....	....	8:18	....	9:01	5:45	8:35
Greycourt	....	....	6:56	7:39	8:51	11:08	1:22	4:33	....	....	8:08	....	8:49	5:32	8:15
Chester	....	....	6:53	7:32	8:47	....	1:18	4:28	....	....	8:00	....	8:45	5:20	7:48
Goshen	4:15	....	6:40	7:24	8:39	10:56	1:10	4:21	5:11	....	7:52	10:50	8:37	5:21	7:28
Middletown	4:04	6:01	† 6:25	7:09	8:23	10:44	12:54	4:06	5:00	5:55	7:32	10:39	8:23	5:08	7:00
Howells	....	....	....	7:01	8:15	....	12:46	3:58	....	....	7:22	....	8:15	5:00	6:40
Otisville	....	....	....	6:53	8:08	....	12:38	3:51	....	....	7:15	....	8:08	4:53	6:25
Port Jervis	* 3:24	* 5:20	....	† 6:29	† 7:45	†10:07	*12:15	† 3:27	* 4:25	* 5:20	† 6:50	*10:00	‡ 7:45	‡ 4:30	‡ 5:45
Lv. East Time.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
CHICAGO. Lv. Cent. Time.	* 9:20 P. M.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	* 8:00 P. M.	....	....	....	....	....

*Daily. ‡Sundays only. †Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch—Sunday leave Main St., 11:10 a. m.; leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11:40 a. m., daily, except Sunday, 6:55 p. m. daily

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7:27 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:20 a. m. daily except Sunday; 4:54 p. m., daily except Sunday and holidays; 6:31 p. m., holidays only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11:20 a. m. and 6:35 p. m. daily except Sunday.

Newburgh, via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7:35 a. m., daily, except Sunday and holidays; 10:50 a. m., daily, except Sunday only; 9:00 p. m. daily; 10:25 p. m., Sundays. Trains 30 and 2 connect for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh, via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7.45 a. m., daily except Sundays and holidays; 11:10 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 1.23 p. m. daily, except Sundays and holidays; 6:20 p. m., daily except Sunday; 5:37 p. m., Sundays only.

Trains Nos. 6, 11, 15, 16, 21, 22, 26, 28, 30, 29, 38 and Sunday Specials 601, 606, 625 stop at Main street, Middletown.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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ON FIRE IN A CELL.

Byron U. Freeman Fatally Burned in Deposit's Lockup.

Byron U. Freeman, a farmer living near Hale's Eddy, was arrested in Deposit, Tuesday afternoon, for intoxication, and confined in the village lockup. In the evening a man who was passing the lockup saw Freeman dancing about in his cell, his whole body enveloped in flames. He was crying piteously for help and making frantic efforts to beat down the flames with his hands. An alarm was given and the firemen broke open the door of the cell and released the unfortunate man, who was almost unconscious. Both legs and the lower part of his body were so shockingly burned that portions of the flesh dropped off when the fragments of clothing that remained were removed. His hands were also shockingly burned. He was removed to the home of a relative, where he died Wednesday.

It is not known how the fire started, but it is supposed that the unfortunate man set fire to his clothes while lighting his pipe. Some who have investigated the matter say, however, that the fire was started by outside parties.

BAND CONCERT AND BALL.

A Fine Entertainment Provided by the 24th Company Band.

The concert by the 24th band at the Casino, Thursday night, drew a good sized audience of music lovers. The band, seated in tiers, occupied the stage and was twenty-three strong, under the leadership of Arthur Parkins. Charles Collins, a brilliant young musician of Newburgh, assisted with a fife. The selections were well rendered and showed that great care and faithful and conscientious work had developed a band of which this city may well be proud.

Dancing followed the concert and the floor was filled until 2 a. m. The committees in charge of the affair were:

Floor—Messrs. Rose and Shafer.

Door—Messrs. Preston and Pratt.

Refreshments—Messrs. Mance and Seaman.

Coatroom—Mr. Terwilliger.

A PETRIFIED CAT.

Found Between the Walls and Weather Boards of the Papakating Baptist Church.

Workmen engaged in tearing down the old Papakating Baptist Church, near Deckertown, came, the other day, on a petrified cat, which was embedded between the plaster and the weather boards.

The hair has fallen off and although the cat had evidently starved to death the flesh had not wasted away very badly and all the muscles and bones had turned to stone.

The petrified cat is on exhibition at the *Independent* office in Deckertown.

Barn, Contents and Live Stock Burned.

From the Wantage Recorder.

The barn and hennery of John Rosenkrans, near Walpack Centre, was burned on Sunday night about 12 o'clock together with 13 cows, all his poultry, and considerable hay and farming utensils. None of Mr. Rosenkrans' family nor any one else had been known to go around the barn with lights since the Friday night previous. There was $700 insurance on the buildings with W. S. Vanderhoff, of Deckertown. Three horses were saved, also three cows.

And It Only Cost the Price of a Plain Drunk.

Residents of the eastern part of the city, while on their way home from the 24th Band's ball about 3 o'clock, this morning, found a horse and wagon standing on East Main street and a completely paralyzed young man stretched across the seat of the wagon. The man was taken to the lockup and the horse to a livery stable. The recorder thought $3 about right for the care of man and beast.

A Worthy and Self-supporting Charity.

Rev. W. H. Scott, formerly a hatter of this city, is manager of an institution for homeless men in Newark, N. J., which is said to be doing excellent work. Lodgings and [illegible] are provided for which payment is made by working in a wood yard. Those in need of clothing may [illegible] extra work. Efforts are [illegible] to secure permanent employment [illegible] hard luck.

How It Works.

[illegible] with its sharp twinges, [illegible] Do you know the [illegible]

[illegible] Pills cure [illegible], sick head[illegible], indigestion. Price 25 [illegible]

How's This!

[illegible] dollars Reward [illegible] that can[illegible] Catarrh Cure. [illegible] Co., Props., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

COULD NOT SLEEP.

Mrs. Pinkham Relieved Her of All Her Troubles.

Mrs. MADGE BABCOCK, 176 Second St., Grand Rapids, Mich., had ovarian trouble with its attendant aches and pains, now she is well. Here are her own words:



"Your Vegetable Compound has made me feel like a new person. Before I began taking it I was all run down, felt tired and sleepy most of the time, had pains in my back and side, and such terrible headaches all the time, and could not sleep well nights. I also had ovarian trouble. Through the advice of a friend I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and since taking it all troubles have gone. My monthly sickness used to be so painful, but have not had the slightest pain since taking your medicine. I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound too much. My husband and friends see such a change in me. I look so much better and have some color in my face."

Mrs. Pinkham invites women who are ill to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is freely offered.

ARCHDEACONRY OF ORANGE.

Arrangements Made for Its Incorporation—The Trustees Selected.

The Archdeaconry of Orange at its meeting in Grace Church, Thursday afternoon, heard the reports of the missionary rectors and then proceeded to arrange the preliminaries for the incorporation of the Archdeaconry under the laws of the State. The proceedings were entirely harmonious and the following trustees were chosen who will be named in the articles of incorporation:

Rev. W. R. Thomas, D. D., Archdeacon; Rev. Octavius Applegate, D. D., Rector of St. George's, Newburgh; Rev. I. B. Creveling, (Secretary,) Rector of Liberty; Rev. David Evans, Rector of Grace Church, Middletown; Dr. Mitchell, of Newburgh; James E. Horton, Treasurer, of Middletown; H. C. Duryea, of Goshen.

The Rev. H. P. Hobson, late rector of Marlboro took his farewell of the Archdeaconry in a short speech, having been recently appointed to the parish of Matteawan in the Archdeaconry of Dutchess.

Cake Sale for Benefit of City's Poor.

The Missionary Society of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Baptist Church will hold a ca[illegible]le at R. C. Tuthill's drug store, 10[illegible] [illegible]h street, corner Cortland street, Saturday, Jan. 28th, from 2 to 6 p. m. This sale is for the benefit of the poor of our city, and those who help along the sale will be doing an act of charity. d23,25,27

A Wise Conclusion Crudely Stated.

Editor Wing, of the *Southern Ulster*, has evolved from Judge Hirschberg's decision in the Middletown suit the following grotesque commercial aphorism: "Trading stamps isn't no legiment commercial transaction."

The Deadly Grip

Is again abroad in the land. The air you breathe may be full of its fatal germs. Don't neglect the "Grip" or you will open the door to pneumonia and consumption and invite death. Its sure signs are chills with fever, headache, dull heavy pains, mucous discharges from the nose, sore throat and never-let-go cough. Don't waste precious time treating this cough with troches, tablets, or poor, cheap syrups. Cure it at once with Dr. King's New Discovery, the infallible remedy for bronchial troubles. It kills the disease germs, heals the lungs and prevents the dread after effects from the malady. Price 50 cents and $1. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at J. J. Chambers's drug store.

Try Grain O! Try Grain-O.

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25cts. per package. Sold by all grocers.

[illegible] KEMP'S [illegible]
COUGH SYRUP
[illegible] a Cough or Cold at once.
[illegible] throat troubles.
[illegible] druggists.

DIED.

CASE—At Goshen, Jan. 25th, '99, by accident, Arthur [illegible], in [illegible] year.

Funeral at the Howells [illegible] Church, Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Relatives [illegible] at the home of his parents, at one-thirty. Interment in Howells cemetery.

MIX—Entered into rest, Jan. 26th, '99, in this city, at the Home for Aged Women Louisa Mix, aged eighty two years, one month, ten days.

Funeral and Interment at Washingtonville, N. Y.

HARRISON—At Edenville, Jan. 24th, '99, Russell D. Harrison, aged seventy-four years, seven months.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stors Building, 14 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, Jan. 27, '99.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	132⅝	133⅝
Tobacco	146⅛	146½
Chicago Gas	116¼	117½
Nat. Lead	—	—
General Electric	112	111¾
U. S. L., pref	73⅞	73¼
Tenn. Coal and Iron	45	47¼
A. T. & S. F.	23⅜	22⅞
C. B. & Q.	138⅛	138
C. M. & St. P.	129¼	129
R. I.	120⅝	121
D. L. & W.	—	—
C. of N. J.	104¼	102¾
Erie	—	—
D. and H.	115	115
O. & W.	23¾	23¼
Federal Steel	54⅝	54⅝
P. & R.	24	23¾
Do., 1st pref.	—	62¼
N. W.	151½	149½
L. S.	—	—
N. Y. C.	137⅞	135¾
M. P.	48	47⅝
Texas	—	18
U. P.	47⅝	47¼
W. Union	96½	96¼
L. & N.	67⅞	68
Manhattan	116	116¼
P. M.	51	53
Wabash, pref	24¼	23¾
No. Pacific, pref	80¼	80⅛
Metropolitan Traction	218½	218
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	93¼	93
Southern, pref	49½	49
CHICAGO MARKET.		
May Wheat	77⅞	78½
May Corn	38¾	39⅛
May Oats	28¾	28¾
May Pork	$10 57	$10 65
May Lard	5 87	5 92

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ROOMS TO LET —Six rooms, modern improvements. Enquire 31 Myrtle avenue

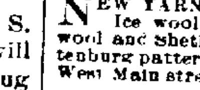
HAVE You used the H. O. Company's Horse Feed? You can get it at 62t6t WOOD & HORTON'S, 68 W. Main St.

FOR SALE—A 200 Pineland Incubator, in good order, at auction Jan. 31st. 1t&w F. A. HARRIS, Bullingham.

TO LET—Nice Cottage on Harrison street seven rooms, all modern improvements. 61dtf Enquire of F. D. YOUNGBLOOD.

NOTE the bright light at CHAS. H. BRINK'S from the Criterion Acetylene gas generator. Twice the light at half the cost. 1td

LOST—Bank Book No 3,359, Middletown Savings Bank. Finder is requested to return to bank, or said book will be cancelled. d27,2,10



BEEF STEAK 10c., BEST BACON ONLY 12½ CENTS
GREENING'S,
63d3t 13 East Main St.

NEW YARNS AT CROSBY'S this morning—Ice wool, Germantown, Saxony, Shetland wool and Shetland floss, in all shades; also Battenburg patterns, rings, braids and thread, 19 West Main street, Mrs. C. P. Clark's old stand.

FOR SATURDAY—DUGDALE, the leader in Meats and Groceries, 73 West Main street—3 pounds shoulder steak can of corn, can tomatoes, can beans all for 50c. Leg of lamb 10c per pound, front of lamb 7c., plate 5c., 3 pounds sausage 25c., fresh hams 8c., pork chops 8 and 10 cents. 1t

PRICES Reduced nearly half on these goods to close them out. Angel wings, were 55c., now 48c; wings, were 30c., now 18c; parrots, were 75c., now 45c.; large black birds, 29c., were 45c; sea gulls 39c., breast and fancy feathers, that were 75 to 90c., now 48c; good felt hats for 25c, fine fur hats, were $1 25, now 75c.; velvet hats $1 up.

MRS. BUSH, 144 North street.

A REGULAR INCOME

A moderate investment by our safe and progressive system will earn a regular monthly income large enough to support a whole family; write immediately to partake of our February profits. Address
INVESTORS' GUARANTEE & TRUST CO.,
58-1mFeb15 40 Exchange Place, New York.

Assessment Collector's Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the inhabitants of the city of Middletown, N. Y., who are assessable on the following improvement, to wit: Wickham avenue sewer, recently constructed, that the undersigned Collector of Assessments in and for said city, has received the warrant for collection of assessments now due on said improvement, and will attend at the City Clerk's office, Times Building, corner of King and Center streets in said city, on each working day of the week, Saturday afternoons and holidays excepted, for thirty consecutive days from January 27th, 1899, to February 27th, 1899, inclusive, from nine o'clock in the forenoon until three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving payment of said assessments, without fee.

On and after February 28th, 1899, five cents on every dollar fees will be collected. On and after July 28th, 1899, eight per cent. per annum interest penalty will be collected from this date, on all sums of assessments remaining unpaid.

Dated January 27th, 1899.

By order of the Common Council
d27 30 1,3,6,8 [illegible] TAYLOR, Collector.

Our Choicest Creamery Butter.

Special Offering for Cash,
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.
JAN. 27th and 28th,
20 CTS. PER POUND

Our 25c Table [illegible] Dairy Butter 18c a pound
[illegible] 16c a pound
[illegible] Sugar [illegible]
[illegible] Coffee [illegible]
Choice [illegible] Java Coffee 25c a pound
[illegible] Coffee 25c a pound
Good [illegible] 15c a pound
[illegible] Pork [illegible] a pound
New White [illegible] a pound
Soda Crackers [illegible]
Lemon [illegible] Snaps [illegible]
New Prunes [illegible]
Extra Large Prunes [illegible]
Fresh Eggs [illegible]
Five barrels of [illegible] 23c a dozen
And lots of goods marked special in our store, you will miss getting if you fail to come for them

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JOHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer 134 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephone—166 residence, 318 office. Hudson River or long distance telephone No. 291. Branch office—40 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, 48 Great Jones St., New York. Lady Assistant.

DOUGHERTY & CAREY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 52 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 2. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10.

JOS. VUOLO, 91 Fulton street. Full line of fine shoes. New line of Overshoes of all kinds. Men's and boys' arctics and felt boots for winter. Repairing neatly done while you wait at very reasonable prices.
NO. 91 FULTON STREET.

WANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 99d1yJly14'99

COAL! FORTY carloads sold in thirty days. Low prices still continue at VANFLEET'S.

TWO Store Rooms, also living rooms for rent. 48dtf Enquire of HOUSTON BROS.

WILL Exchange city residences for small farm near Middletown. Address EXCHANGE, Box 211, Middletown.

GRIPPE Cured in 24 hours "sure pop," by using Chambers' Magic Cold Cure, 25c. Sold only at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy, 57 North St., near postoffice.

FOR RENT Cheap until spring. Four rooms first floor, well and cistern. 100 Richmond Terrace.
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7 CTS. each for 10-quart Tin Water Pails from Saturday, the 21st, to Saturday, the 28th, inclusive, at DAYTON'S.

FOR SALE—Handsome new cottage on Albert street, nine rooms, hot air, all modern improvements.
86ldtf BULL & YOUNGBLOOD.

A HOUSE AND FOUR ACRES OF BLACK DIRT FOR RENT OR FOR SALE. ENQUIRE OF A. CODDINGTON, EMPIRE BLOCK.
d1yJan20,1900

Special Sale!

Now is the time to buy cheap. We are clearing out all our winter stock, and making room for spring goods. Here are some of our bargains.

Men's Winter Russet $3.00.
Men's Winter Enamel $3.00.
Men's Winter Box Calf $3.00.
Men's Winter High Cut Russet $3 00.
Men's Winter High Cut Box Calf $3.00.
Men's Patent Leather Shoes $3.00.

The former prices of all these goods were $5. Give us a call at the one price shoe store.

SAMUELS, NO. 11 NORTH STREET, MIDDLETOWN.

25
Cents a Pound
Black or Green Tea.
SLOAT'S
CASH STORE

DON'T FORGET CROSBY is running the Circulating Library, with lots of new books; also a full line of ladies', gents' and children's hose, 19 West Main street.

GOOD MUSLIN SIGNS, SENT POSTPAID. Hand painted in oil colors, 1x9, 1½x6, 2x4's or 3x3 feet, 50c; or 1x18, 1½x12, 2x9 or 3x6 feet, $1. HARDING'S SIGNERY, Wurtsboro, N. Y.

GREAT RETAIL
Chattel Mortgage Auction Sale
ADJOURNED UNTIL TUESDAY, AT 2:30 O'CLOCK, AT THE
Children's Bazaar,
116 NORTH ST. Everything sold to the highest bidder. Millinery, muslin underwear, white and colored aprons and everything in children's wear. Dolls, doll clothes, toys and fancy articles, ladies' and children's underwear, children's handmade night shirts and drawers, children's handmade dresses and cloaks. Private sale every day at less than cost. Come early and secure the choice bargains. JOHN FERGUSON,
49dtf Mortgagee's Agent and Auctioneer.

Programme This Week at Cottage Theatre, Mechanictown.

Prof. G. T. Rose will dance barefoot on broken glass. Don't forget to come. See the acrobatic skill of Prof. Rose and his presentation of the Indian war dance from the wild west. Mae Gray, acrobatic, song and dance; Miss Rose, soubrette. Dance Thursday night. Amateur Night, Saturday night.

Our Annual January Sale of Muslin Underwear!

4 392 pieces of Muslin Undeawear in this Great January Offering. Successful storekeeping does not mean gigantic profit; it means doing business continually, constantly selling seasonable goods at such small profits. This is the argument for the thousands of pieces we offer you and you reap the benefit of our close buying No woman can afford to miss this great sale. We advise all our customers to come early while the assortment and sizes are unbroken

Corset Covers.

252 plain Corset Covers in cambric or fine muslin, sizes 32 to 40; 9c each.

288 Muslin and Cambric Corset Covers, cut V and square shape, trimmed with embroidery, 15c.

240 Corset Covers, made from fine muslin or cambric, trimmed with wide Hamburg, sizes 32 to 38; 19c.

480 Corset Covers in a great variety of styles. You will wonder how they can be made at the price; as long as they last 25c.

360 fine Corset Covers, all handsomely trimmed, mostly blouse shape or new French shape; as long as they last 48c.

Gowns.

10 dozen plain Muslin Gowns, nicely made and full size; as long as they last 39c.

24 dozen Gowns, six different styles in this lot, all nicely trimmed and full sized. Be sure and get your share, 49c.

12 dozen Gowns, made from extra heavy cotton, some plain, others trimmed; great values for the prices, 59 and 69c.

31 dozen Ladies' Gowns, some trimmed with lace, others trimmed with embroidery and insertion. Must be seen to be appreciated. You will wonder how the trimmings could be bought at the prices, 79, 89, 98c, $1.19, $1.48.

Drawers.

240 pairs Muslin Drawers, made from good muslin, with extra wide ruffle tucked, 19c pair.

240 pair fine Muslin Drawers, could not be better made, with extra wide ruffle of cambric, hemstitched; 25c pair.

120 pair Umbrella Drawers, trimmed with fine embroidery; while they last 29c pair.

120 pair fine Umbrella Drawers, made from fine cambric, trimmed with lace and insertion; for this sale 39c.

Fine Umbrella Drawers, made from fine muslin or cambric, handsomely trimmed, in a great variety of styles, 49c.

Short Skirts.

Six different styles, made plain, tucked and trimmed, with lace or embroidery. For this lot, 29, 34, 48, 69c.

White Skirts.

Ten different styles in this great assortment, made from fine muslin, all umbrella shape, at 39, 49, 79, 89, 98c, $1.19, $1.39, $1.48.

Outing Underwear.

Ladies' Gowns, Ladies' Short Skirts, Men's Night Shirts and Children's Gowns and Night Drawers at our special low prices.

Our Annual January Sale of Housekeeping Gonds!

This is the time of the year every good housekeeper lays in her stock of Housekeeping Goods By watching the market and buying and selling for spot cash, we are able to offer you goods that every one who needs such goods can afford to buy their whole year's supply at this Great January Offering We quote a few of the many bargains we have that will pay you ta come miles to get rather than miss the chance of getting your share

Table Linen.

25 pieces for this great sale, the way the linen market is about the wholesale prices.

58 inch half-bleached Table Linen, cost more to import; as long as they last 25c.

58 inch bleached Table Damask, not one thread of linen in it, but great goods to wear, 25c yard.

72 inch bleached Union Table Linen, only one pattern in this 5 piece lot, but a bargain, 40c yard.

72 inch, all linen, bleached Table Damask, the best value that will be shown by any firm this year, 50c yard.

Towels.

Hotels and barbers ought to take advantage of the great offering sale as well as housekeepers.

25 dozen Union Linen Towels, sizes 13x25, 7c each or 75c dozen.

15 dozen all Linen Huck Towels, size 19x30, 10c each.

15 dozen extra heavy unbleached Bath Towels, as long as they last, 10c, size 19x36.

50 dozen all Linen Towels, extra large and heavy, three different styles, 15c each.

25 dozen Fancy Towels, all pure linen in eight different kinds, fringed and hemstitched, as long as they last, 19 to 25c.

Bed Spread.

White Bed Spreads bought in October and held for this great January sale. There are three kinds, all hemmed, ready for use. Come and see them and you will feel that you should at least buy one-half dozen.

150 10-4 White Spread, all hemmed, ready for use, well worth 69c, at 49c.

128 11-4 $1 White Spread, all hemmed, ready for use, for this sale 75c.

56 11-4, extra heavy $1.50 White Quilts, one of the best values ever shown by any firm, $1.19.

Sheets and Pillow Cases.

5-4 Bleached Hemstitched Pillow Cases made from yard cotton, 10c.

5-4 Bleached Pillow Cases, no better cotton made, finished with beading, washed and ironed, 12c or $1.25 dozen.

8-4 and 9-4 Bleached Sheets, made from fine cotton, all washed and ironed, 35 and 40c each.

Men's White Shirts.

25 dozen Men's 69c Night Shirts made from the very best cotton and trimmed with finishing braid, as long as they last 50c.

25 dozen Men's White Dress Shirts, sold as the Day's Special, made with a split neck band, felled seams, cut full size and perfect fitting, as long as they last, 50c.

Domestics.

Extra heavy unbleached cotton, full yard wide, 5c yard.

Fine yard wide Bleached Muslin, nameless, but one of the best made, 5c.

9-4 Bleached Sheeting, five pieces in this lot, as long as it lasts, 15c yard.

Fine Wool Blankets, extra size, silk bound, $3.98 pair.

Fine Comfortables, filled with white batten, as good as homemade, $1.39, $1.48.

240 Flannelette Wrappers, made in one style, in eight different colorings, bound seams, well worth $1; for this great JANUARY SALE 79c. Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40.

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